



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Pelham City Hall

Council Chambers

May 15, 2023 – 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: May 15, 2023
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Pelham City Hall – Council Chambers
Present: Council President Maurice Mercer
Councilmember David Coram
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 Wash led the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Coram.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

The city clerk/treasurer recorded the attendance of the elected officials and announced a quorum was present. City Manager Gretchen DiFante and City Attorney Grace Graham were present.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2023-05-15-01 for consideration to elect Chad Leverett to the unexpired term on the Pelham City Council Place No. 2 with the term of office expiring on November 3, 2025

Councilmember Wash moved to adopt Resolution 2023-05-15-01 and Councilmember Lanier seconded the motion.

Council President Mercer asked the city clerk/treasurer for a roll call vote. The vote to adopt Resolution 2023-05-15-01 was recorded as follows:

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

There being no further discussion, the motion to adopt Resolution 2023-05-15-01 passed unanimously by roll call vote of those members present and the council president declared the same passed and adopted.

OATH OF OFFICE

1. Oath of Office – Chad Leverett, Pelham City Council Place No. 2

Judge Ron Jackson administered the oath of office to Chad Leverett. Councilmember Leverett addressed those in attendance and took his seat as City of Pelham Councilmember Place No. 2. He expressed his appreciation for having the opportunity to serve the citizens of Pelham.

CONSENT AGENDA

A consent agenda is presented by the presiding officer 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 presiding officer and City Council.

1. Approval of the May 15, 2023 City Council Agenda
2. Approval of the May 1, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
3. **Resolution 2023-05-15-02** for consideration as a part of the mid-year review to authorize the amending of the city's FY2023 operating, and capital projects budgets as referenced and detailed in attached Exhibit A
4. **Resolution 2023-05-15-03** for consideration to appoint Mike Eddington as City Engineer for the City of Pelham
5. **Resolution 2023-05-15-04** for consideration to accept the annual Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) Program Report prepared by Municipal Consultants, Inc.
6. **Resolution 2023-05-15-05** for consideration to enter into agreements for construction of restrooms for the Splash Pad at City Park. This work was budgeted for FY2023 during the mid-year review.
7. **Resolution 2023-05-15-06** for consideration to approve a quote for installation of shade structures for the splash pad at City Park. This project was budgeted in FY2023.
8. **Resolution 2023-05-15-07** for consideration to approve a revised professional services agreement with Barrett Architecture Studio, LLC of interior renovations at the Pelham Racquet Club. This project was budgeted in FY2023.
9. **Resolution 2023-05-15-08** for consideration to approve the expenditure of emergency reserves related to critical repairs to the ice chiller and the addition of R22 refrigerant at the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena
10. **Resolution 2023-05-15-09** for consideration to adopt the City of Pelham Highway 31 and 119 Corridor Redevelopment Plan Update 2023
11. **Resolution 2023-05-15-10** for consideration to authorize the cancellation of a sales contract conveying real property to Mark Byers or Assigns located at 1297 Shelby County Highway 52E and the release of earnest money (Old Fire Station No. 3)
12. **Resolution 2023-05-15-11** for consideration to reappoint two (2) members to the Pelham Commercial Development Authority (CDA) and one (1) member to fill an unexpired term of office
13. **Resolution 2023-05-15-12** for consideration to reappoint three (3) members to the Pelham Board of Adjustment and Appeals

Council President Mercer stated the complete text of the agenda, minutes, ordinance(s), and resolutions are available at Pelham City Hall and online at www.pelhamalabama.gov.

Councilmember Wash made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented by Council President Mercer.

Councilmember Coram seconded the motion.

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

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

There being no further discussion, 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) – None

MAYOR’S REPORT/COMMENTS – None

PROCLAMATION(S) AND RESOLUTION(S) BY THE MAYOR AND OTHERS – None

REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Gretchen DiFante made the following comments.

- Thanked those who assisted in the Community Day event at the Pelham Racquet Club. She stated 75 attended the event.
- Announced the 20th Annual Women’s Pro Tennis Tournament is currently underway at the Pelham Racquet Club.

REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY – None

REQUEST(S) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL – None

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

NEW BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Resolution 2023-05-15-13** for consideration to adopt the city’s Civility and Cooperative Leadership Pledge

Councilmember Coram moved to adopt Resolution 2023-05-15-13 and Councilmember Lanier seconded the motion.

Council President Mercer asked the city clerk/treasurer for a roll call vote. The vote to adopt the Resolution 2023-05-15-13 was recorded as follows:

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

There being no further discussion, the motion to adopt Resolution 2023-05-15-13 passed unanimously by roll call vote of those members present and the council president declared the same passed and adopted.

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.

There were no comments from the public.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Coram welcomed Councilmember Leverett. He noted the recent open house at Ballantrae Golf Club and the success of the Pelham Games.

Councilmember Leverett expressed his gratitude to the councilmembers who voted for him during the recent work session as well as those in attendance tonight. "I am humbled to be here," Leverett said. "(There are) a lot of good, close friends who are in the room. Thank you for coming out." He thanked Seth Greenberg, Executive Director of the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena, for hosting the dinner theater, "*Love Letters*". He said the food was excellent.

Councilmember Wash announced the arrival of a new grandchild. He congratulated Mike Eddington and Chad Leverett on their new positions with the city. Councilmember Wash said we could not have selected a better person to elect to the Pelham City Council.

Councilmember Lanier welcomed Councilmember Leverett. She said he will be a wonderful asset to the city. She stated the performance of "*Love Letters*" was fantastic and the food was great.

Council President Mercer welcomed Councilmember Leverett as a part of the team. He said he thoroughly enjoyed the "*Love Letters*" performance and thanked South Shelby Theater. Council President Mercer introduced his sister, Zulema Harris, visiting from Las Vegas.

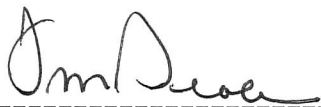
PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The 8th Annual *Palooza in the Park* is Saturday, May 20th from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on the Pelham Trail located at the Pelham Recreation Center. The 2023 Palooza will feature the Nashville Yacht Club Band and a Pelham Youth Athletes Parade and Recognition.
2. The 2023 Pelham High School graduation will be on Thursday, May 25th at 6:00 p.m. at the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena. Tickets are required to attend.
3. Pelham City Offices will be closed Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.
4. The Pelham City Council is accepting letters of interest and resumes through Wednesday, May 31st at 5:00 p.m. from those citizens who would like to be considered for an appointment to the Pelham Board of Adjustment and Appeals, Places 1 and 3. Please submit all letters and resumes to Pelham City Clerk/Treasurer Tom Seale or email tom@pelhamalabama.gov prior to the deadline. The city clerk/treasurer will acknowledge receipt of the application by email.
5. The Water Department will hold a meeting on Monday, June 5, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Pelham City Hall.

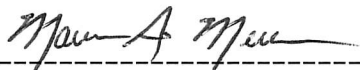
ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the council, Councilmember Coram moved to adjourn the council meeting and Councilmember Wash seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously by those members present and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of May 2023.



Tom Seale, MMC, City Clerk/Treasurer



Maurice Mercer, President of the Council

