



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Pelham City Hall
Council Chambers
October 2, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

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

Date: October 2, 2023
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Pelham City Hall – Council Chambers
Present: Council President Maurice Mercer
Councilmember David Coram
Councilmember Chad Leverett
Mayor Gary Waters

Not Present: Councilmember Rick Wash
Councilmember Mildred Lanier-Reed

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Mercer called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Councilmember Leverett 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 Attorney Josh Arnold was present.

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 October 2, 2023 City Council Agenda
2. Approval of the September 18, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
3. **Resolution 2023-10-02-01** for consideration to enter into an Inter-Jurisdictional Automatic and Mutual Fire and EMS Aid Agreement between the City of Pelham and the City of Hoover.
4. **Resolution 2023-10-02-02** for consideration to approve the most responsive and responsible bid for emergency equipment and installation on Pelham Police Department vehicles.
5. **Resolution 2023-10-02-03** for consideration to reappoint citizens to the Pelham Zoning Board of Adjustment- Place No. 4, Place No. 5 and Supernumerary Place No. 1, and Place No. 2.
6. **Resolution 2023-10-02-04** for consideration to reappoint citizens to the Pelham Parks & Recreation Advisory Board - Place No. 6 and Place No. 7.
7. **Resolution 2023-10-02-05** for consideration to approve Change Order No. 1 for additional work for the FY2023 Pelham Resurfacing Project. This project was budgeted in FY2023.

8. **Resolution 2023-10-02-06** for consideration to accept the most responsive and responsible bid from Baird Contracting Co., Inc. for the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Phase III. This project was budgeted in FY2023.

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

Councilmember Leverett 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>Not Present</u>
Mildred Lanier-Reed, Council Member	<u>Not Present</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

RECOGNITION OF RETIREES

Director of Development Services & Public Works Andre` Bittas recognized Barry Hodges, Pelham Sewer Department, Operator IV, for his 17 years of dedicated service to the City of Pelham. Mr. Hodgers addressed those in attendance and thanked the city for the opportunity to have served the citizens of Pelham.

Police Chief Brent Sugg recognized Lt. Mike Williams, Pelham Police Department, for his 22 years of dedicated service to the City of Pelham. Lt. Williams addressed those in attendance and thanked the mayor, city manager and city council for the opportunity to have served the citizens of Pelham.

MAYOR'S REPORT/COMMENTS

- Congratulated the Pelham Police and Fire Department recipients of the 2023 Public Safety Awards from the Shelby County Chamber announced at last week's chamber luncheon.
 - Pelham Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division:
Sgt. Brad Johnson, Det. Isaac Cruz, Det. Donnie Peterson, and Det. Todd McCann
 - Pelham Fire Department's Firefighter of the Year:
Buddy Ingleright
- Announced the retirement of Ken Mays, Pelham Fire Department.
- Acknowledged the Panther Prowl parade and community pep rally as a part of Pelham High School's Homecoming Week, September 25-30, 2023.
- Noted the recent ribbon cutting for the new Pickleball Courts at the Pelham Senior Center.
- Thanked the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena for hosting the Valley Elementary School teacher reunion. He said the teachers are excitedly awaiting next year's reunion luncheon.

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

REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER – None

REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY – None

REQUEST(S) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL – None

OLD BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. **Ordinance No. 514** for consideration to declare that certain real property of the City of Pelham, Alabama, is no longer needed for public or municipal purposes and further described as Lot 2, according to the Final Plat of The Grande Vista, a Commercial Subdivision, as recorded in Map Book 56, Page 84 in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama. First Reading was on September 18, 2023.

Councilmember Leverett moved to adopt Ordinance No. 514 as presented and Councilmember Coram seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Council President Mercer asked the city clerk/treasurer for a roll call vote to adopt Ordinance No. 514. The roll call vote 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>Not Present</u>
Mildred Lanier-Reed, Council Member	<u>Not Present</u>

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

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.

Andrea Fannin, 544 Cloudland Drive, Hoover, Alabama 35226, with Grace Ministries of Alabama, addressed the city council. She spoke about A21’s Walk for Freedom, which is a global awareness event rallying tens of thousands of people, taking millions of steps, in hundreds of cities all over the world. She said the walk is to “disrupt the existence of slavery, shaking its very foundation with each step.” She stated the Pelham event will be held on October 14, 2023 at the Pelham Dog Park from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon to bring awareness to human trafficking.

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Councilmember Coram offered his thoughts and prayers for Councilmember Wash’s father during his illness. He spoke to the A21 organization and his involvement in Uganda, called the Hope Center.

Councilmember Leverett stated we live in a great city. He noted all the amenities our citizens enjoy in the Pelham City Park area, including ongoing upgrades at the Pelham Racquet Club and Ballantrae Golf Club. He thanked all city employees and staff for making Pelham a wonderful community.

Council President Mercer echoed Councilmember Coram’s comments about Councilmember Wash’s father. He mentioned the First Responder’s luncheon last week, the ribbon cutting of the new Pickleball Courts and Music in the Park. He said it is great to see how Music in the Park has grown over the years.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Shelby County will host a Free Landfill Day at the Shelby County Landfill located at 401 Landfill Road just off Highway 70 between Columbiana and Calera on Saturday, October 7, 2023 from 7:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. The Landfill does NOT accept hazardous waste, tires, batteries, or liquids of any type. All participants must be unloaded and exited from the landfill by 3:30 p.m.
- 2. Bring the entire family out for an evening of fun, food, and first responders. Pelham’s National Night Out is Tuesday, October 3, 2023, and will feature exhibits and displays from the Pelham Police and Fire Departments, plus over 40 community organizations. There will be a free hot dog supper for the first 1,400 and plenty of activities for children.

3. The City of Pelham has partnered with Protec Recycling to provide free document shredding and electronic recycling services for residents on Saturday, October 7, 2023, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Protec will be set up at Pelham City Hall, located at 3162 Pelham Parkway. Please visit the City's website for additional information.
4. A public hearing will be held on Monday, October 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Pelham City Hall to consider **Ordinance No. 135-258** an amendment to the zone district boundaries of the City of Pelham changing the present zoning B-2 (General Business District) to M-1 (Light Industrial District) for property located at the end of Yeager Court, approximately 415 feet off Yeager Parkway consisting of 7.16 +/- acres.

Applicant: Shield Properties, LLC, 120 Bishop Circle, Pelham, Alabama 35124.

Owners: William P. Taylor, 1543 Timber Drive, Helena, Alabama 35080
Connor Farmer, 120 Bishop Circle, Pelham, Alabama 35124

5. The Pelham City Council is accepting letters of interest and resumes through Tuesday, October 31st at 5:00 p.m. from those citizens who would like to be considered for a Council appointment to the Pelham Public Library Board, Place 2, and the Pelham Storm Water Board, Places 1, 4 and 5. 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.
6. The Pelham City Council is accepting letters of interest and resumes through Wednesday, November 15th at 5:00 p.m. from those citizens who would like to be considered for a Council appointment to the Pelham Personnel Board. 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.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the council, Councilmember Coram moved to adjourn the council meeting and Councilmember Leverett 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 2nd day of October 2023.



Tom Seale, MMC, City Clerk/Treasurer



Maurice Mercer, President of the Council

