



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Pelham City Hall
Council Chambers
February 5, 2024 – 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: February 5, 2024
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Pelham City Hall – Council Chambers
Present: Council President Maurice Mercer
Councilmember David Coram
Councilmember Chad Leverett
Councilmember Rick Wash
Councilmember Place No. 5: Vacant
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 Leverett.

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 Josh Arnold were 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 February 5, 2024 City Council Agenda
2. Approval of the January 22, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
3. **Resolution 2024-02-05-01** for consideration to declare certain personal property (Police Department) of the City of Pelham, which are no longer needed for public or municipal purposes, as surplus.
4. **Resolution 2024-02-05-02** for consideration to approve a summary change order and an FY2024 budget amendment for completion of the Heather Ridge Well Pump Repair.

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>Yes</u>
Council Member Place No. 5	<u>Vacant</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

- The city’s 311 app’s downloads have recently grown from 520 to over 1,100. The promotion is ongoing for citizens to sign up for the 311 app. She stated feedback, interaction, and information has been overwhelming.
- The Birmingham Bulls are playing good hockey and are in first place. She stated there have been three sellouts this season and the hockey games are a great family event.
- Playground equipment at City Park has been delivered and is being installed.

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 2024-02-05-03** for consideration of ABC license application for 050 – Retail Beer (Off Premises Only), 070 – Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only) for applicant Circle K Stores, Inc. operating under the trade name Circle K Store 2709335 located at 3000 Pelham Parkway, Alabama 35124 was introduced by Council President Mercer.

Councilmember Coram moved to adopt Resolution 2024-02-05-03 and Councilmember Wash seconded the motion.

Councilmember Coram stated the Circle K store is located at 3000 Pelham Parkway, the former location of MAPCO. He said the Circle K corporate offices are tasked with training their employees in selling alcohol. He recommended approval of the request. A representative of the applicant attended the Work Session.

There being no further discussion, the motion to adopt Resolution 2024-02-05-03 passed unanimously by voice 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.

- Bill Blank, 720 Cahaba Manor Court, Pelham, Alabama, discussed the upcoming activities at the Pelham Senior Center, sponsored by American Legion Post 555 and the Sons of the American Legion. He said Veteran Administration and business information will be available. He further stated a blood drive is also scheduled.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Coram noted the 6th grade girls basketball team recently defeated Helena 46-0. He thanked the city for providing excellent parks and recreation facilities and programs.

Councilmember Leverett thanked those attending tonight's city council meeting. He thanked the Pelham Fire Department for responding to a recent 911 call at his home.

Councilmember Wash said Pelham Strong's *Walk for Christ* will be held on April 6, 2024 at Pelham City Park. He said the activities will include a Fun Run and a 5K Run/Walk.

Council President Mercer wished Police Chief Brent Sugg and Human Resources Director Tracy Hill a Happy Birthday. He stated planning is underway for the city's annual Taste of Pelham.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Pelham City Council has scheduled a special Work Session on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Pelham City Hall for the purpose of interviewing candidates to fill the vacancy on the Pelham City Council, Place No. 5.
2. The Pelham City Council is accepting letters of interest and resumes through Wednesday, February 21, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. from those residents who would like to be considered for appointment to the Pelham Board of Education, Place 1.

You will find the application under City News on our website. The city clerk/treasurer will acknowledge receipt of the application by email.

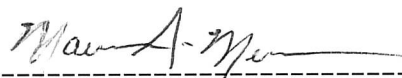
ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the city 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 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 5th day of February 2024.



Tom Seale, MMC, City Clerk/Treasurer



Maurice Mercer, President of the Council

