John Meredith, President Jennie Robinson, Councilmember Bill Kling, Councilmember Michelle Watkins, Councilmember David Little, Councilmember



Tommy Battle, Mayor John Hamilton, City Administrator Trey Riley, City Attorney Shaundrika Edwards, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

5:30 PM

Thursday, February 13, 2025

#### REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

## **CALL TO ORDER**

1. INVOCATION

Offered by: Huntsville Alabama Public Safety Chaplains

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: Councilmember Jennie Robinson

- 3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- 4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)
- a. <u>2025-86</u> Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 23, 2025. (Minutes Received)

**Sponsors:** City Clerk

Attachments: 01-23-25reg.pdf

- 5. MAYOR: SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS
- 6. COUNCIL: SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

**Special Recognitions** 

a. 2025-87 Special Departmental Recognition

**Resolutions for Approval and Presentation** 

b. <u>2025-89</u> Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Funding Agreement between the City of Huntsville, Alabama, and Land Trust of North Alabama, Inc., for Toll Gate Trail Improvements, Project No.

71-25-WP02.

Resolution No. 25-79

**Sponsors:** Engineering

Attachments: Land Trust Funding Agreement Toll Gate Trail complete.pc

c. <u>2025-90</u> Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of

Agreement between the City of Huntsville and Delta Omega Zeta Chapter

of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Resolution No. 25-80

**Sponsors:** Parks & Recreation

Attachments: Complete Agreement Delta Omega Zeta 2025

# **Resolutions for Approval Only**

d. 2025-88 Resolution honoring the 25th anniversary of General Federation of

Women's Clubs.

Resolution No. 25-78

**Sponsors:** Robinson

Attachments: GFWC 25th.pdf

## 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. 2025-91 Black History Month Presentation

**Sponsors:** Watkins

**b.** 2025-92 Presentation on Master Plan for Big Spring Park-East.

**Sponsors:** Administration

## 8. MATTERS WITH OUTSIDE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE

a. 2025-93 Introduction of an Ordinance authorizing the City's General Obligation Warrants, Series 2025-A, to finance public capital improvements at the Von Braun Center, and the City's General Obligation Refunding Warrants, Series 2025-B, to refinance certain indebtedness of the City.

Ordinance No. 25-81

**Sponsors:** Finance

**Attachments:** Huntsville - AUTHORIZING ORDINANCE - SERIES 2025

WARRANTS (A AND B) 4920-6045-1610 1 (002).pdf

## 9. PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE HELD

Public hearing in order to hear, consider, and act upon all objections or protests, if any, for removal of a nuisance at 3602 Drake Ave. SW, Huntsville, AL; and consideration of Resolution ordering abatement of a nuisance located at the same property. (Set January 23, 2025, Regular Council Meeting)

Resolution No. 25-82

**Sponsors:** Community Development

Attachments: 3602 Drake Ave - Res to Abate Nuisance 02132025.pdf

b. 2025-95 Public Hearing on authorizing the Manager of Community Development to assess

the cost for the demolition and cleanup of a structural public nuisance located at 1412 Cavalry St. NW, Huntsville, AL; and consideration of a Resolution

pertaining to same. Resolution No. 25-83

**Sponsors:** Community Development

Attachments: 1412 Cavalry St NW Lien Res 02132025.pdf

c. <u>2025-96</u> Public Hearing on authorizing the Manager of Community Development to assess

the cost for the demolition and cleanup of a structural public nuisance located at 1418 Cavalry St. NW, Huntsville, AL; and consideration of a Resolution

pertaining to same. Resolution No. 25-84

**Sponsors:** Community Development

Attachments: 1418 Cavalry St NW Lien Res 02132025.pdf

# 10. PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE SET

## 11. AGENDA RELATED PUBLIC COMMENTS

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#### 12. MAYOR COMMENTS

# 13. COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Michelle Watkins

Councilmember Bill Kling

Councilmember David Little

Councilmember Jennie Robinson

Councilmember John Meredith

#### 14. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

2025-97 Resolution authorizing expenditures for payment. a.

Resolution No. 25-85

**Finance Committee Sponsors:** 

**Attachments:** Expenditures - Complete

b. Ordinance approving appropriations, goods, or services for District 2 Council 2025-98

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Improvement Funds. Ordinance No. 25-86

Little **Sponsors:** 

**Attachments:** District 2 Council Improvement Complete

Resolution authorizing reimbursement to Council President John Meredith for all c. 2025-99

related travel connected to the Leadership Alabama Class XXXII.

Resolution No. 25-87

Meredith **Sponsors:** 

Attachments: JM leadership.pdf

d. 2025-100 Resolution authorizing travel for Councilmember David Little to Washington,

D.C., April 27 - 29, 2025, for the Huntsville/Madison Co. Chamber of Commerce

2025 Washington, D.C., trip.

Resolution No. 25-88

Little **Sponsors:** 

Attachments: D. Little DC Trip 2025.pdf

#### 15. BOARD APPOINTMENTS TO BE VOTED ON

Resolution to appoint Chakravarthy (Chakri) Deverapalli to the Huntsville Police a. 2025-85

Citizens Advisory Council, Place 7, due to the resignation of Jonathan Rossow for the remainder of a vacant four (4) year term to expire August 1, 2027.

(Nominated January 23, 2025, Regular Council Meeting)

Resolution No. 25-41

**Sponsors:** Little

**Attachments: HPCAC D2.pdf** 

b. <u>2025-49</u> Resolution to appoint Remelus Bowden to the Human Relations Commission,

Place 1, to the seat previously held by Clarence Teague-Johnson for the remainder of a four (4) year term to expire September 8, 2026. (Nominated

January 23, 2025, Regular Council Meeting)

Resolution No. 25-42

**Sponsors:** Watkins

Attachments: Bowden HRC Appointment .pdf

c. 2025-84 Resolution to appoint Janice Vaughn to the Alabama Constitution Village and

Historic Huntsville Depot Board, Place 5, to fill the seat previously held by Teneshia Daniels for a three (3) year term to expire June 26, 2027. (Nominated

January 23, 2025, Regular Council Meeting)

Resolution No. 25-43

**Sponsors:** Robinson

Attachments: Vaughn Constitution.pdf

d. 2025-101 Resolution to reappoint James Flinn to the Special Care Facilities Financing

Authority - Redstone Village to his current seat for a six (6) year term to expire November 12, 2029. (Nominated on January 23, 2025, Regular Council Meeting)

Resolution No. 25-89

**Sponsors:** Meredith

Attachments: Flinn Resolution Redstone.pdf

## 16. BOARD APPOINTMENT NOMINATIONS

a. 2025-102 Nomination to appoint Tom Anderson to the Alabama Constitution Village and

Historic Huntsville Depot Board, Place 6, to fill the seat previously held by Terrance Vickerstaff for a three (3) year term to expire June 26, 2027.

Resolution No. 25-90

**Sponsors:** Kling

Attachments: Anderson.pdf

## 17. HUNTSVILLE UTILITIES ITEMS

## 18. LEGAL DEPARTMENT ITEMS/TRANSACTIONS

#### **Vacation of Easements**

a. 2025-103 Ordinance authorizing the vacation of a Utility and Drainage Easement in

The Meadows at Hampton Cove Phase 1 and Retreat at Goose Creek,

1951 Old Highway 431, Owens Cross Roads. (Forestar)

Ordinance No. 25-91

**Sponsors**: Legal

Attachments: Goose Creek-Forestar Eas Vacation Complete.pdf

Vacation of Rights-of-Way

**Deeds of Acceptance** 

## 19. UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEMS FOR ACTION

a. 2025-36 Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 1, Sec. 2-151 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Huntsville, to correct and update the investment policy of the

City of Huntsville, (Introduced January 23, 2025, Regular Council Meeting)

Ordinance No. 25-76

**Sponsors:** Finance

**Attachments:** Investment Policy Complete

b. 2025-83 Ordinance amending Division 3, Noise and Sound Associated With Vehicles, of

Article V, Noise, of Chapter 12, Environmental Management, of the Code of

Ordinances. (Introduced January 23, 2025, Regular Council Meeting)

Ordinance No. 25-77

**Sponsors:** Robinson

Attachments: Vehicle Noise Ordinance Complete.pdf

# 20. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION OR ACTION

These items will be approved in one motion unless any member of the Council wishes to remove an item for discussion. The reading of each item will be waived unless a Councilmember requests otherwise.

a. 2025-104 Resolution authorizing travel expenses.

Resolution No. 25-92

**Sponsors:** Finance

**Attachments:** Travel Resolution Complete

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**Attachments:** CO3 FITE-PubSafe Complete

**Attachments:** Complete KultureCity MOU

m. 2025-115 Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Huntsville and The Law Office of Daniel Lauber.

Resolution No. 25-104

**Sponsors:** Legal

Attachments: Lauber Prof Services Agreement Complete.pdf

**Sponsors:** Fire and Rescue

Attachments: Spruell Complete.pdf

## 21. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS FOR INTRODUCTION

a. <u>2025-122</u> Introduction of an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 89-79, Classification and Salary Plan Ordinance.

Ordinance No. 25-111

**Sponsors:** Human Resources

**Attachments:** Complete Package

**b.** <u>2025-123</u> Introduction of an Ordinance to amend the Budget Ordinance No. 24-700 to

modify the authorized strength of the departments.

Ordinance No. 25-112

**Sponsors:** Human Resources

**Attachments:** Complete Package

c. 2025-124 Introduction of an Ordinance to declare certain property as surplus and no longer

needed for Municipal use.

Ordinance No. 25-113

**Sponsors:** Water Pollution

**Attachments:** Disposal Ordinance-COMPLETE

d. 2025-125 Introduction of an Ordinance to declare certain property as surplus and no longer

needed for municipal use.

Ordinance No. 25-114

**Sponsors:** Police

**Attachments:** Donation to Oakwood University- 2025

e. 2025-126 Introduction of an Ordinance to declare certain property as surplus and no longer

needed for municipal use.

Ordinance No. 25-115

**Sponsors:** Police

**Attachments:** Donation to Crimestoppers- 2025

## 22. SECOND ROSTER PUBLIC COMMENTS

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## 23. ADJOURNMENT

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