

The regular called Meeting of the Northport City Council convened at **5:30 p.m.** on **Monday, October 2, 2023**, at Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd, Northport, AL, 35476, in the Council Chambers. The invocation was offered by Mayor Hinton and President Hogg led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Hogg, Pro Tem Bobo, Councilman Washington, Councilman Wiggins, and Councilwoman Dykes. Also present at tonight's meeting, Mayor Hinton and City Administrator Webb.

Motion by Councilman Washington, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins to **approve the agenda for the October 16, 2023, Council Agenda**. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Mayor Hinton read a proclamation recognizing the City of Northport as a Tree City USA designation and in recognition of Arbor Day.

Mayor Hinton and Councilwoman Dykes presented Malibu Span and Salon a proclamation recognizing them as October Business of the Month.

Mayor Hinton presented the City's Mid-Term Review.

Councilman Washington offered for a 1st Reading, Ordinance for Conditional Use/Master Development Plan for a performance residential development located west of US Highway 43 and south of Applewood Drive.

Councilman Washington offered for a 1st Reading, Ordinance Rezoning of approximately 4.12 acres from HN (Historical Neighborhood) to REC (Recreation) located at 123 30th Avenue.

Councilwoman Dykes offered for a 1st Reading, Ordinance for Annexation of approximately 2 acres located west of Highway 43 and south of River Oak Drive, zoned C-3 (General Commercial).

Councilman Washington offered for a 1st Reading, Ordinance for Annexation of approximately 49.29 acres located west of Prince William Way and north of Forest Glen Blvd., zoned RS-SD (Residential Single Family- Special District).

Councilman Washington offered for a 1st Reading, Rezoning of approximately 4.48 acres located west of Prince William Way and north of Forest Glen Blvd. from RS-1 (Single-Family Residential) to RS-SD (Residential Single-Family-Special District).

Pro Tem Bobo offered for a 1st Reading, Ordinance for Amendments to Article VIII of the Zoning Ordinance regarding sign regulations.

Councilman Washington offered for a 1st Reading, Permanent Resolution Accepting Maintenance for Municipal Public Improvements except for Final Layer of asphalt for Grand Pointe Subdivision, Phase VI.

Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington to **approve Resolution 23-190 accepting Change Order # 1 for the Jackson Trace Road Rehabilitation Project, which increases the contract price by \$4,386.00 and brings the total contract price to \$225,846.00 and authorize the City Administrator to execute the necessary documents to proceed with the project.** Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Wiggins, **Second** by Councilman Washington to **adopt Resolution 23-191 approving Professional Engineering Services by Krebs Engineering, Inc. pertaining to Task Order #44 for Consent Order Assistance, and to authorize the City Administrator to execute the necessary requisitions and documents needed to proceed with the project.** Roll call was as follows: Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Wiggins, **Second** by Councilman Washington to adopt Resolution 23-192 authorizing the City Administrator to execute an amendment with Krebs Engineering, Inc. to Task Order Directive #43 for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Outfall Enhancement to Black Warrior Project. The amount of Task Order Directive #43 will be revised from \$111,000 to \$122,500. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins to adopt Resolution 23-193 authorizing the application to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management for state revolving funds for the Highway 82 Pump Station, Gravity Sewer Replacement, and Force Main Upgrade. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington to adopt Resolution 23-194 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with The Cassady Company, Inc. for Task Order Directive #1 for the Highway 82 Pump Station, Gravity Sewer Replacement, and Force Main Upgrade. Roll call as was follows: Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins to adopt Resolution 23-195 authorizing the Office of the City Engineer to advertise a request for proposals for the development, management, operations, and maintenance of a mixed-used development and management, operations, and maintenance of all recreational areas within the 300-acre Sports Complex. Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Hogg, **Second** by Pro Tem Bobo to adopt Resolution 23-196 declaring a 2004 Ford F150 as surplus and donating to the Jena Volunteer Fire Department. Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington to adopt Resolution 23-197 reappointing Ms. Trudi Anders to Seat 3 of the Northport Historic Preservation Commission. Ms. Anders' term will expire on December 31, 2025. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Wiggins, **Second** by Councilman Washington to adopt Resolution 23-198 reappointing Ms. Cheryl Rolf to Seat 4 of the Northport Historic Preservation Commission. Ms. Rolf's term will expire on December 31, 2025. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington to adopt Resolution 23-199 authorizing the Northport Police Department to participate in the Southeast Alabama Highway Safety Office Grant and authorizing the Mayor to execute all paperwork pertaining to said grant. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins **to adopt Resolution 23-200 authorizing the Northport Police Department to accept the award from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance and authorizing approved grant representatives to execute all paperwork pertaining to the grant.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Wiggins, **Second** by Councilman Washington to approve **the Consent Agenda for the October 2, 2023, Council meeting as printed:**

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes, September 18, 2023, Regular Meeting- Ms. Webb
2. Bill Listing- Ms. Webb
3. Purchase Requisition - Testing at Water Treatment Plant and Wastewater Treatment Plant, Pace Analytical Services, LLC, \$68,000.00 - John Webb
4. Purchase Requisition - Mixer with Motor for Aeration Basin #3 at Wastewater Treatment Plant, J.H. Wright & Associates, \$22,900.00 - John Webb
5. Invoice - Central Alabama Asphalt & Construction Company, LLC - Tuscoba Loop Grading and Bituminous Surface Treatment (\$49,286.00) - Tera Tubbs
6. Purchase Requisition - Traffic Loop Replacement - \$5,872.00 - Brooke Starnes
7. PO, Requisition, IT Main Avenue Project, \$16,932.85 - Scott Murphy
8. Purchase Requisition, Meal Reimbursement, Chief Burton, \$28.82 - Gerald Burton

Roll call was as follows: Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were **no** Public Hearings items on the agenda for the **Engineering Department.**

There were **two** Public Hearings items on the agenda for the **Legal Department.**

President Hogg Opened the Floor for a Public Hearing for Agenda Item 11b1, Resolution Authorizing a Project Development Agreement by and Between the City of Northport, Alabama, and Diamond Jim’s & Mrs. Donna’s of Northport, LLC.

The owner of Diamond Jim’s spoke to the Mayor and Council expressing his excitement in coming to the area.

Mayor Hinton expressed his anticipation for having a nice sit-down restaurant and he is looking forward to having them.

Councilwoman Dykes posed a question about how tax incentive works for businesses coming to the area. Hogg responded that it varies from business to business and there are no written guidelines when it comes to revenue sharing. John Rea reinforced what President Hogg stated saying there are no formal guidelines.

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Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington **to adopt Resolution 23-201 authorizing Project Development Agreement by and between the City of Northport and Diamond Jim's & Mrs. Donna's of Northport, LLC.** Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

President Hogg Opened the Floor for a Public Hearing for Agenda Item 11b2, Resolution authorizing the Issuance of the Series 2023-B Limited Obligation Certificate of Indebtedness of the City of Northport, Alabama, and approving other financing matters with regard to that certain Project Development Agreement by and between the City of Northport, Alabama and Diamond Jim's & Mrs. Donna's of Northport, LLC.

There were no speakers to address the Mayor and Council.

President Hogg Closed the Floor for a Public Hearing for Agenda Item 11b2, Resolution authorizing the Issuance of the Series 2023-B Limited Obligation Certificate of Indebtedness of the City of Northport, Alabama, and approving other financing matters with regard to that certain Project Development Agreement by and between the City of Northport, Alabama and Diamond Jim's & Mrs. Donna's of Northport, LLC.

Motion by Councilman Wiggins, **Second** by Pro Tem Bobo **to adopt Resolution 23-202 authorizing the Issuance of the Series 2023-B Limited Obligation Certificate of Indebtedness of the City of Northport, Alabama, and approving other financing matters with regard to that certain Project Development Agreement by and between the City of Northport, Alabama and Diamond Jim's & Mrs. Donna's of Northport, LLC.** Roll call was as follows: Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

There were **no** Public Hearing items for the **Planning & Inspection Department.**

There were **no** Public Hearing items on the agenda for the **Police Department.**

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BUSINESS

Motion by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins **to hold a Special Called Council meeting on Friday, October 20th, 2023, at noon to vote on the proposed new sign ordinance.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins **to have one Council meeting for the month of December, meeting on December 11th, 2023, at 5:30 pm at Northport Municipal Court rather than at City Hall, 3721 26th Avenue. The City Administrator's Briefing will be held at 5:00 pm that day and held in the Municipal Courtroom as well.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER’S BUSINESS

Mayor Hinton, Mayor Hinton had no official business to discuss at tonight’s meeting.

Pro Tem Bobo, District 1- Pro Tem Bobo expressed her excitement for Diamond Jim’s and Mrs. Donna’s coming to Northport. She stated Main Avenue Project is 75% complete.

Councilman Washington, District 2- Councilman Washington was absent from tonight’s meeting.

Councilman Wiggins, District 3- Councilman Wiggins said he was looking forward to riding in the Tuscaloosa County High Homecoming parade on Thursday.

Councilwoman Dykes, District 4- Councilwoman Dykes had no official business to discuss for tonight’s meeting.

President Hogg, District 5- President Hogg expressed his excitement and anticipation for Diamond Jim’s Northport location. He reminded Northport citizens of the Tuscaloosa County High Homecoming parade on Thursday and even though it was a week of fun and celebration that vandalism was not okay.

Motion by President Hogg, **Second** by Pro Tem Bobo **to adjourn the meeting**. Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.