

The regular called Meeting of the Northport City Council convened at **5:30 p.m.** on **Monday, September 18, 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.

Mayor Hinton presented Misty Hopson and Kennedy Ankrom with Down Syndrome Alabama with a proclamation recognizing the upcoming month, October, as Down Syndrome Awareness Month. Ms. Hopkins also announced their organization's upcoming walk, Annual West Alabama Down Syndrome Walk, which will be held on October 1st at Snow Hinton Park from 1 PM- 4PM.

Mayor Hinton presented Councilman Woodrow Washington a proclamation acknowledging the awards his family-owned business has received through the years and mentioning that his restaurant has been featured nationally on ESPN's Taste of the Town and in Southern Living's list of "The South's Most Legendary Barbeque Joints." Mayor Hinton stated that Northport is proud to recognize Archibald and Woodrow's BBQ as one of the state's most Legendary BBQ Joints and the Best Tailgate Food in Northport.

Mayor Hinton presented Michelle Moss with a proclamation recognizing September as Suicide Awareness Month.

Motion by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins **to approve the agenda for September 18, 2023, Council meeting, with the revisions to agenda item 9b8, Approving Agency Funding Contracts, removing Kenutck funding item while the contract is being negotiated and this particular funding item will be revisited at a later date. Also, there will be an addition of an Executive Session.** 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 Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington **to adopt Ordinance 2202 adopting the FY2024 General Fund Operational Budget.** 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 Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins **to adopt Ordinance 2203 adopting the FY2024 Water & Sewer Fund Operational Budget.** 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 Wiggins **to adopt Resolution 23- 178 authorizing an agreement between the City of Northport Fire Rescue and W.E. Crawford, MD, LLC. for a period of 1 year (January 1, 2024- December 31, 2025) enabling him to continue to serve as Medical Director as required by Rule Number 420-2-1-05(5)(b) and authorize the City Administrator to approve the requisition.** 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 Councilman Wiggins, **Second** by Councilman Washington **to adopt Resolution 23-179 authorizing the City Administrator to select and negotiate scope and fee with Sain Associates, Inc. for the Safe Streets for All Safety Action Plan.** 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 Pro Tem Bobo **to adopt Resolution 23- 180 authorizing the City Administrator to execute an amendment with Thompson Engineering for plan revisions on MLK, Jr. Blvd. Improvements at Snows Mill Road.** Roll call was as follows: Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Abstained; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington **to adopt Resolution 23-181 authorizing the City Administrator to execute a proposal from TTL, inc. for professional design services on 5th Street resurfacing and pedestrian improvements at the Bridge District.** 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 23-182 awarding bid, Bid File 23-14, to Southland Transportation Group for one (1) year rear-loading garbage truck in the amount of \$237,362.62.** 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 23-183 authorizing the fees for vacating the public right-of-way for Hightown Properties.** 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 Pro Tem Bobo **to adopt Resolution 23- 184 authorizing the City Administrator to execute a proposal from Thompson Engineering for bridge replacement on MLK. Jr. Blvd. over Two Mile Creek.** Roll call was as follows: Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Abstained; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins **to adopt Resolution 23- 185 for the proposed agency authorization funding agreements.** 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 Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; **Second** by Councilman Washington **to adopt Resolution 23-186 for the proposed authorization of the Metro Animal Shelter Funding.** Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Abstained; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins **to adopt Resolution 23- 187 for the proposed authorization of the Arts n Autism funding.** Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Abstained. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins **to adopt Resolution 23- 188 for the proposed authorization of the Boys and Girls Club of West Alabama.** Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilman Washington, Abstained; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by Pro Tem Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington **to approve Resolution 23-189 approving the 2023 Resurfacing 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 approve **the Consent Agenda for the September 18, 2023, Council Meeting as printed:**

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Minutes, September 7,2023, Regular Meeting- Ms. Webb
- 2. Bill Listing
- 3. PO Requisition, ThreatAdvice, Software Renewal, \$23,820.00- Mr. Murphy
- 4. PO Requisition, GIS Planning, Inc., \$5,300.00- Ms. Tubbs
- 5. PO Requisition, Price Difference on Approved PO #23-1634, \$7,642.00- Mr. Murphy
- 6. PO Requisition, Litigation Recovery, Krebs Law, LLC., \$83,333.33- Mr. Davis
- 7. PO Requisition, Annual Mem,bership Dues, Alabama League of Municipalities, \$10,495.03- Ms. Webb
- 8. PO Requisition, Filing Cabinets for Court, One Source, \$6,311.96- Ms. Webb

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

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

There were **no** Public Hearings items on the agenda for the **Planning & Inspection Department.**

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

CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S BUSINESS

City Administrator Webb had no business to discuss at tonight’s meeting.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER’S BUSINESS

Mayor Hinton, Mayor Hinton announced he would be giving the City’s mid-term review at the October 2nd Council meeting.

Pro Tem Bobo, District 1- Pro Tem Bobo informed District 1 citizens that Video Industrial is working on a project on Main Avenue.

Councilman Washington, District 2- Councilman Washington had no official business to discuss for District 2 at tonight’s meeting.

Councilman Wiggins, District 3- Councilman Wiggins had no official business to discuss for District 3 at tonight’s meeting.

Councilwoman Dykes, District 4- Tonight, Councilwoman Dykes had no official business to discuss for District 4.

President Hogg, District 5- President Hogg encouraged everyone to utilize Tuscaloosa Public Library’s kiosk in our lobby; it offers a variety of books to check out.

Motion by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins **to adjourn the meeting into Executive Session to discuss Threatened Pending Litigation. The session should take no longer than 10 minutes (ten minutes). It is anticipated that the Council will not take action after the Executive Session is concluded.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Pro Tem Bobo, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 6:05 p.m.

Council reconvened into Regular Council Meeting at 6:12 p.m. with no action needing to be taken.

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

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.