

**CITY OF FLORENCE  
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL  
June 17, 2014**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Florence, Alabama, was held in the City Hall Auditorium in Florence at 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, June 17, 2014. President Jordan called the meeting to order. Councilmember Graham gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Robert M. Leyde, City Clerk, performed the roll call and noted that five Councilmembers were present and a quorum was present with the following members of the City Council in attendance: Dave Smith, William D. Jordan, Hermon T. Graham, Barry Morris, and Andrew Betterton. Blake Edwards was absent.

**AMENDED AGENDA**

**CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**JUNE 17, 2014**

**5:00 P.M.**

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1. Meeting called to order - President Jordan
  2. Invocation - Councilmember Graham
  3. Pledge of Allegiance
  4. Roll Call - President Jordan
  5. Approval of Agenda
  6. Message from Mayor
  7. Reports of Department Heads
  8. Reports of Standing Committees
  9. Public Hearings:
    - (a) Property located at 2107 Cloyd Blvd to be rezoned from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-B (Residential Business District) as requested by Florence Nursing & Rehabilitation Center.
    - (b) Property located at 409 North Poplar Street to be rezoned from R-2 (Single Family Residential District) to R-B (Residential Business District) as requested by Tyndal Davis.
  10. Business from floor pertaining to items on the consent and regular agenda (5-minute time limit).
  11. Consent Agenda:

All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each member of the Florence City Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Council with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request. Please call 256-760-6400 for questions on Consent Agenda items prior to the Council meeting.

    - (a) Approval of minutes of the June 3, 2014 meeting.
    - (b) Confirm payment of bills by the City Treasurer.

- (c) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Atlas Builders and Roofing, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and all incidentals necessary to install a 40 mill Duro-Last roofing system on the front porch area of the Kennedy/Douglas Annex, in the amount of \$3,500.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Fund 117, sponsored by Todd Nix.
- (d) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with P & E Transport, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and all incidentals necessary to remove and install a cylinder on recycling equipment at the Florence Recycling Center, in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Fund 260, sponsored by David Koonce.
- (e) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with ProModular, LLC, to provide labor, equipment, materials and all incidentals necessary to install a new 14' X 34' Scale Office, including block, level, surewall, skirting and anchor, at the Florence Sanitary Landfill, in the amount of \$24,150.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Fund 1053, sponsored by David Koonce.
- (f) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a Special Contract for Natural Gas Service with Monarch Ceramic Tile, Inc., sponsored by Mike Doyle.
- (g) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a Water Purchase Contract with West Lauderdale Water and Fire Protection Authority, sponsored by Mike Doyle.
- (h) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas with BP Energy Company, sponsored by Mike Doyle.
- (i) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a Resale Rate Schedule Substitution Agreement with TVA for the substitution of lighting schedules, sponsored by Richard Morrissey.
- (j) Resolution to approve a Satisfaction of Mortgage from the City to Shirley McDonald, sponsored by Melissa Bailey.
- (k) Resolution to reappoint Charles Kelley to the Board of Zoning Adjustments.
- (l) Resolution to reappoint Bob Sneed to the Board of Zoning Adjustments
- (m) Resolution to reappoint Michael O'Steen as a Supernumerary member of the Board of Zoning Adjustments.
- (n) Resolution to appoint Albert Dressier to the Parks and Recreation Board.
- (o) Resolution to advance and reimburse Travel Expenses to City employees, sponsored by Mayor Haddock.

12. Regular Agenda:

- (a) Ordinance to adjust water and sewer rates, sponsored by Mike Doyle.
- (b) Ordinance to rename West Irvine Circle as Welton Reynolds Circle, sponsored by Melissa Bailey.
- (c) Ordinance to rezone property located at 2107 Cloyd Blvd from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-B (Residential Business District), sponsored by Melissa Bailey.
- (d) Ordinance to rezone property located at 409 North Poplar Street from R-2 (Single Family Residential District) to R-B (Residential Business District), sponsored by Melissa Bailey. **(This ordinance did not receive unanimous consent and will appear on the next Council agenda)**

- (e) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Westminster Interfaith Caring Place in the amount of \$5,000.00 to assist in providing a safe and secure day care center for those impaired by Alzheimer's and other dementias, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and City Council. **(This item was added to the regular agenda)**

13. General Business:

- (a) Board Openings within the next 90 days or less:

<u>Board</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Expires</u>
Agri-Business Center	Vacancy		
Beautification Board	Vacancy		
Hospital	Bill Coussons	01/18/11	06/25/14

14. Business from the public (5-minute time limit).

15. Council Members reports and/or comments (5-minute time limit).

Councilmember Morris  
Councilmember Graham  
Councilmember Edwards  
Councilmember Betterton  
Councilmember Smith  
Councilmember Jordan

16. Motion to Adjourn.

President Jordan noted that it was decided at the earlier work session to add Regular Agenda Item 12 (e) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with Westminster Interfaith Caring Place in the amount of \$5,000.00 to provide to assist in providing a safe and secure day care center for those impaired by Alzheimer's and other dementia, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and City Council.

There being no further changes, President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the amended agenda. Councilmember Betterton moved for approval of the amended agenda. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Blake Edwards  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

**Message from the Mayor:** none

**Report of Department Heads:** None

**Report of Standing Committee:** None

**Public Hearing:**

President Jordan noted that this is the date and time advertised for the public hearing regarding the proposed rezoning of 2107 Cloyd Blvd from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-B (Residential Business District) as requested by Florence Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Melissa Bailey, Planning Director, appeared and stated that the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend the proposed rezoning to the City Council.

There were no public comments regarding the proposed rezoning.

President Jordan noted that this is the date and time advertised for the public hearing regarding the proposed rezoning of 409 North Poplar Street to be rezoned from R-2 (Single Family Residential District) to R-B (Residential Business District) as requested by Tyndal Davis.

Melissa Bailey, Planning Director, appeared and stated that the Planning Commission voted to unanimously to recommend the proposed rezoning to the City Council.

Ms. Margaret Ellis, 417 East Tombigbee Street, appeared and made comments in opposition to the proposed rezoning.

Mr. Tyndal Davis, owner of the property, appeared and stated that any changes to this property will be historically correct.

There being no further comments from the public, President Jordan closed the public hearing.

**Business from the Floor Pertaining to Items on the Consent Ordinance Regular Agenda:** None

**Consent Agenda:**

President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the Consent Agenda items. Councilmember Graham moved for approval of the ordinances and resolutions as follow, to-wit:

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented Ordinance to adjust water and sewer rates, sponsored by Mike Doyle. Said Ordinance follows, to wit:

Councilmember Graham moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Ordinance.

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Smith moved for adoption of the foregoing Ordinance. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

**Discussion:**

Councilmember Graham stated that the Council does not like to raise rates but the City is losing Hillshire Farms who is our largest water user.

There being no further discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented an Ordinance to rename West Irvine Circle as Welton Reynolds Circle, sponsored by Melissa Bailey. Said Ordinance follows, to wit:

Councilmember Betterton moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Ordinance.

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Smith moved for adoption of the foregoing Ordinance. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

**Discussion:**

Councilmember Graham stated that he had the privilege of serving with Mr. Reynolds on the City Council.

There being no further discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

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Councilmember Betterton moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Ordinance.

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Smith moved for adoption of the foregoing Ordinance. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented an Ordinance to rezone property located at 409 North Poplar Street from R-2 (Single Family Residential District) to R-B (Residential Business District), sponsored by Melissa Bailey. Said Ordinance follows, to wit:

Councilmember Smith moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Ordinance.

Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: William D. Jordan

**This ordinance did not receive immediate consideration, therefore it will be carried over until the next City Council meeting.**

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Westminster Interfaith Caring Place in the amount of \$5,000.00 to assist in providing a safe and secure day care center for those impaired by Alzheimer's and other dementias, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and City Council. Said Resolution follows, to wit:

Councilmember Betterton moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Morris seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Morris moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution. Councilmember Edwards seconded the motion.

**Discussion:**

Councilmember Morris noted that this organization serves as a residential daycare facility for those who suffer from Alzheimer or dementia.

There being no further discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

**General Business:**

(a) Board Openings within the next 90 days or less:

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**Business from the Public (5-minute time limit):** None

**Council Reports and Comments:**

Councilmember Morris had no comments.

Councilmember Graham had no comments.

Councilmember Edwards offered his condolences to the Chris Williamson family.

Councilmember Smith also offered his condolences to the Chris Williamson family.

Councilmember Betterton had no comments.

President Jordan stated that he voted against immediate consideration on the rezoning of 409 North Poplar Street due to some issues that he wants more information on.

Councilmember Morris presented the closing prayer.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK