

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, LINCOLN, ALABAMA

July 25, 2023

The City Council of the City of Lincoln, Alabama met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall on Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Watson called the meeting to order and upon roll call the following answered present: Mayor Watson, Councilmembers Sadie Britt, Billy Pearson, Brandon Tate and Joey Callahan. Councilmember Jennie Jones was absent. Invocation was given by Billy Pearson and Mayor Watson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Watson opened the Public Hearing pursuant to Amendment No. 772 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, for the purpose of considering the passage of a resolution approving the execution and delivery of a Project Development Agreement with Lincoln Lumber and Hardware, LLC. John Rea, attorney on behalf of the CDA recommends approval of the proposed economic incentives for Lincoln Lumber and Hardware, LLC. The developer is proposing at least 18,000 square feet of retail space with a capital investment of at least \$3,000,000. Some of the incentives are to rebate the sales tax on the construction materials, certain improvements to Industrial Drive such as widening from two to three lanes, including a center turn lane, provide a fire flow valve, rebate three-fourths (3/4) of the sales tax the first three (3) years, rebate one-half (1/2) of the sales tax for the remaining term of the proposed not to exceed \$3,000,000. The notice for the Public Hearing ran in The Daily Home on July 15<sup>th</sup>. There are two items on the agenda – one resolution authorizing the project development agreement and another resolution authorizing the certificate of indebtedness to provide the incentives provided in the development agreement and pursue validation. There was no public comment and the Mayor closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Pearson made a motion to approve the minutes of July 11, 2023; second by Callahan. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2023-45 authorizing the Project Development Agreement with Lincoln Lumber and Hardware, LLC. Councilmember Tate made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-45; second by Pearson. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Abstain.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2023-46 authorizing the issuance of the Series 2023-A Limited Obligation Certificate of Indebtedness of the City of Lincoln and approving other financing matters including the filing of a validation lawsuit with regard to the Project Development Agreement with Lincoln Lumber and Hardware, LLC. Councilmember Pearson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-46; second by Britt. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Abstain.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2023-47 awarding the bid for rescue struts to Coastal Rescue Solutions in the amount of \$22,415.00. Councilmember Tate made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-47; second by Callahan. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2023-48 abating the property located at 25 Jackson Lane. Councilmember Callahan made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-48; second by Tate. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2023-49 abating the property located at Lot 43 Grandview Estates. Councilmember Tate made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-49; second by Callahan. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2023-50 abating the property located at 45458 Hwy 78. Councilmember Tate made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-50; second by Pearson. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2023-51 declaring a nuisance on the property located at 263 – 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Councilmember Tate made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-51; second by Callahan. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Aye.

Councilmember Tate made a motion to amend the FY-2023 Budget Account No. 1000-101-420000-944 in the amount of \$49,911.16 for the purchase of equipment to outfit the 2023 Ford F-150 trucks in the Police Department; second by Callahan. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Aye.

Councilmember Tate made a motion to approve a 050 – Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and a 070 – Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only) for Pilot Travel Centers LLC d/b/a Pilot Travel Center 1549 located at 75750 AL Highway 77, Lincoln, Alabama; second by Callahan. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Tate – Aye and Callahan – Aye.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Pearson made a motion to adjourn; second by Tate. The vote was Ayes: Britt, Pearson, Tate and Callahan.

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Carroll L. Watson, Mayor

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Laura S. Carmack, City Clerk