

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, LINCOLN, ALABAMA

November 14, 2023

The City Council of the City of Lincoln, Alabama met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. Mayor Watson called the meeting to order and upon roll call the following answered present: Mayor Watson, Councilmembers Sadie Britt, Billy Pearson, Jennie Jones, Brandon Tate, and Joey Callahan. Invocation was given by Billy Pearson and Mayor Watson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Watson opened the Public Hearing for the following proposed zoning changes: (1) Zone a portion of a parcel of Matthew Pope and Daniel Duke property located along Stemley Road and Wood Lane, Talladega, Alabama 35160, Parcel Number 61-09-08-27-0-000-049.054 to RE Residential Estate; (2) Zone Alan Tunnell property located along Stemley Road and Wood Lane, Talladega, Alabama 35160, Parcel Number 61-09-08-34-0-000-030.000 to RHD Residential High Density and (3) Re-zone C.S., Jr. and Mary T Steed property located along Dry Valley Road, Lincoln Alabama 35096, Parcel Number 61-03-08-34-0-000-047.000 from RS-1 Residential Single Family to RHD Residential High Density, with a Special District overlay as submitted on the Master Plan. There was no public comment and Mayor Watson closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Britt made a motion to approve the minutes of October 24, 2023; second by Jones. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2024-03 authorizing a one-time salary increase. Councilmember Tate made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-03; second by Callahan. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2024-04 authorizing the city to enter into a Mutual Aid Consortium Agreement with the Alabama Association of Fire Chiefs. Councilmember Tate made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-04; second by Callahan. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2024-05 authorizing the City to opt out and/or file a request for exclusion from the nationwide class settlements related to PFAS. Councilmember Callahan made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-05; second by Tate. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Resolution 2024-06 accepting the grant award through the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program 22-LW-1080 by ADECA and committing the local share in the amount of \$500,000. Councilmember Britt made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-06; second by Pearson. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Nay, Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Ordinance 2024-01 zoning a portion of a parcel of Matthew Pope and Daniel Duke property located along Stemley Road and Wood Lane, Talladega, Alabama 35160, Parcel Number 61-09-08-27-0-000-049.054 to RE Residential Estate. Councilmember Jones made a motion to accept the first reading as having been read; second by Britt. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt

– Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye. Councilmember Pearson made a motion to suspend the rules that would otherwise prohibit the immediate consideration of Ordinance 2024-01; second by Jones. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye, Mayor Watson – Aye. Motion passed unanimously. Councilmember Jones made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2024-01; second by Pearson. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Ordinance 2024-02 zoning Alan Tunnell property located along Stemley Road and Wood Lane, Talladega, Alabama 35160, Parcel Number 61-09-08-34-0-000-030.000 to RHD Residential High Density. Councilmember Pearson made a motion to accept the first reading as having been read; second by Jones. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye. Councilmember Britt made a motion to suspend the rules that would otherwise prohibit the immediate consideration of Ordinance 2024-02; second by Pearson. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye, Mayor Watson – Aye. Motion passed unanimously. Councilmember Britt made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2024-02; second by Callahan. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye.

Mayor Watson presented Ordinance 2024-03 re-zoning C.S., Jr. and Mary T Steed property located along Dry Valley Road, Lincoln Alabama 35096, Parcel Number 61-03-08-34-0-000-047.000 from RS-1 Residential Single Family to RHD Residential High Density, with a Special District overlay as submitted on the Master Plan. Councilmember Pearson made a motion to accept the first reading as having been read; second by Britt. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye. Councilmember Pearson made a motion to suspend the rules that would otherwise prohibit the immediate consideration of Ordinance 2024-03; second by Britt. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye, Mayor Watson – Aye. Motion passed unanimously. Councilmember Pearson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2024-03; second by Jones. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Abstain.

Mayor Watson presented Ordinance 2024-04 granting a cable television franchise agreement to Spectrum Southeast, LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications, Inc. Councilmember Pearson made a motion to accept the first reading as having been read; second by Jones. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye. Councilmember Britt made a motion to suspend the rules that would otherwise prohibit the immediate consideration of Ordinance 2024-04; second by Pearson. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye, Mayor Watson – Aye. Motion passed unanimously. Councilmember Callahan made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2024-04; second by Pearson. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye.

Councilmember Callahan made a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement for Services with Locality Media, Inc. d/b/a/ First Due; second by Tate. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye.

Councilmember Tate made a motion to approve Change Order No. 1 from Schmidt Environmental Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$120,597.00 for the 2022 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements project; second by Jones. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, 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 Family Dollar Stores of Alabama LLC d/b/a

Family Dollar 33473 located at 7630 Stemley Bridge Road, Talladega, AL 35160; second by Jones. The vote was Pearson – Aye, Britt – Aye, Jones – Aye, Tate – Aye, Callahan – Aye.

Councilmember Jones made a motion to approve the Poorhouse Branch Bridge main replacement by APEL Machine & Supply Co. in the amount of \$100,400.00; second by Pearson.

Councilmember Callahan made a motion to amend the current policy to allow family members to work under direct supervisors. After discussion, Councilmember Callahan rescinded the motion.

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

Carroll L. Watson, Mayor

Attest:

Laura S. Carmack, City Clerk