

The City Council of the City of Auburn, Alabama, met in regular session on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 6:04 PM in the Council Chamber of the Auburn Public Safety Building at 141 North Ross Street.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Anders.

Mayor Anders called the meeting to order.

2. **ROLL CALL.**

The following Councilpersons were present: Tommy Dawson, Steven Dixon, Kelley Griswold, Jay Hovey, Jennifer Stephens, Connie Taylor, Beth Witten and Mayor Ron Anders, Jr. Absent: Bob Parsons. Also present was City Manager Crouch.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE.**

Mayor Anders invited all present to stand and join the Council in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and in observing a moment of silence after the Pledge.

4. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS.** Mayor Anders.

- a. Employee of the Month and Service Awards.  
Video presentation.

A video was shown to recognize the employee service awards for November 2022.

**Employee of the Month**

Kevin Helms                      Public Works

**Service Awards**

Sarah Kate Cook	Parks & Recreation	5 years
Kevin Helms	Public Works	5 years
Will Livingston	Engineering Services	5 years
Bret Peterson	Parks and Recreation	5 years
Renea Nettles	Parks & Recreation	25 years
Cody Hill	Police	30 years
Will Mathews	Public Safety	30 years

**Retirees**

Debra Barnett                      Auburn Public Library  
Randy Driver                      Parks and Recreation

- b. Recognition of retiring councilmembers.

Mayor Anders presented plaques to outgoing Councilmembers Jennifer Stephens, Steven Dixon and Jay Hovey. He thanked them for their service to the city.

- c. Committee of the Whole.

Mayor Anders stated that at the Committee of the Whole previously held the Council approved the minutes from the October 18 Committee of the Whole meeting and nominated individuals to serve on the Building Board of Adjustments and Appeals.

- d. Announcements.

Mayor Anders thanked various groups for hosting him over the last two weeks and provided a preview of the events he will attend in the coming days.

4. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS (cont).**

Councilperson Witten announced that a Ward 3 meeting will take place on November 7 at 5:30 p.m. and said she recently participated in the Day of Remembrance Ceremony and took a group of high school students to the FFA National Convention.

5. **AUBURN UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATIONS.**

AU SGA Director of City Relations Olivia Sutherland updated the Council about events at Auburn University.

6. **CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS.**

None.

7. **CITY MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS.** City Manager Crouch.

- a. Board vacancy announcement. Public Park and Recreation Board. One (1) vacancy. Term begins December 19, 2022 and ends December 18, 2026. Appointment December 6, 2022.

City Manager Crouch announced one vacancy on the Public Park and Recreation Board.

8. **CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA.**

City Manager Crouch asked if any items should be removed from the consent agenda for discussion.

There were no items removed from the consent agenda.

Councilperson Dixon moved that the items on the consent agenda be adopted.  
Councilperson Hovey seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the consent agenda items adopted.

- a. Minutes. October 18, 2022. **APPROVED**
- b. Contracts and agreements.
  - (1) Beshears Tractor and Equipment. Purchase one (1) Kubota B26 Tractor. Public Works Department. \$36,695.07. **Resolution No. 22-267**
  - (2) Coblenz Equipment and Parts Company, Inc. Purchase one (1) Ventrac 4520Z Tractor with Contour Mower and Boom Mower. Public Works Department. \$54,470.32. **Resolution No. 22-268**
  - (3) Deere & Company. Purchase two (2) John Deere 5075E Cab Utility Tractors with RC8M Rotary Cutters. Public Works Department. \$112,710.10. **Resolution No. 22-269**
  - (4) Don H. Allen Construction, Inc. Renovations at Yarbrough Tennis Center. \$115,000. **Resolution No. 22-270**
  - (5) National Auto Fleet Group. Purchase one (1) 2023 Ford F-150 XL 2WD Regular Cab pick-up truck. Inspection Services Department. \$35,552.23. **Resolution No. 22-271**
  - (6) National Auto Fleet Group. Purchase two (2) 2023 Ford F-150 Super Crew 4x4 pickup trucks. Public Works Department. \$93,916.32. **Resolution No. 22-272**

8. **CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA (cont).**

- (7) SealMaster. Purchase one (1) CrackPro 125 HH Crack Sealer. Public Works Department. \$72,152.50. **Resolution No. 22-273**
- c. Easement. Mason Properties, LLC. Sidewalk, Lighting and Utility Easement. Miller Avenue Sidewalk & Lighting Project. \$18,472. **Resolution No. 22-274**
- d. Board appointments. Building Board of Adjustments and Appeals. Two (2) positions. Terms begin November 3, 2022 and end November 2, 2026. **Resolution No. 22-275 (Brad Harrison & Michael Schumacher)**

9. **ORDINANCES.**

- a. Amend City Code. Chapter 12. Procedure for revocation of business license. Second reading.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance amends Chapter 12 of the City Code. She added that this is the second reading.

Councilperson Witten moved to approve the ordinance.  
Councilperson Dixon seconded the motion.

Mayor Anders said he believes it is important to allow time for citizens to weigh in on this change to the code.

Mayor Anders moved to postpone the ordinance to December 6, 2022.  
Councilperson Hovey seconded the motion and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders said the ordinance would be considered on the December 6, 2022 agenda.

Councilperson Hovey agreed that it is important to allow ample time for consideration of this ordinance.

10. **RESOLUTIONS.**

- a. Outdoor Café Permit. Mo'Bay Beignet Co., LLC. Public hearing required.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes an Outdoor Café Permit for Mo'Bay Beignet Co. She added that a public hearing was required.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

There being no comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

Councilperson Dixon moved that the resolution be adopted.  
Councilperson Witten seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.  
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 22-276**

11. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

None.

12. **CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM.**

Steve Cosgrove (1927 Watercrest Drive) spoke about traffic concerns in and around his neighborhood.

Robert Wilkins (261 Denson Drive) thanked the retiring councilmembers for their service.

**12. CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM (cont).**

Herbert Walter Denmark, Jr. (412 Opelika Road, Apt. 11) thanked all councilmembers for their service and asked if parking at Felton Little Park is free and open to the public.

Ty Torbert (900 W. Glenn Avenue) spoke about traffic concerns around town.

**13. ADJOURNMENT.**

Councilperson Witten moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Councilperson Dixon seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 PM.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Manager