

The City Council of the City of Auburn, Alabama, met in regular session on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 6:00 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: Tyler Adams, Max Coblenz, Tommy Dawson, Kelley Griswold, Sonny Moreman, Bob Parsons, Beth Witten and Mayor Ron Anders. Absent: Connie Taylor. 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.

Videos were shown to recognize the employee service awards for March 2024.

Employee of the Month			
Josh Evans	Fire Department		
Service Awards			
Gabby Filgo	Parks & Recreation		10 years
Rebecca Green	Human Resources		10 years
Valerie Temple	Auburn Public Library		10 years
Chauncy Moore	Environmental Services		15 years
Brandon Rowland	Auburn Public Library		15 years
Jimmy Butler, Jr.	Police Department		20 years
George Creighton	Police Department		20 years
Cynthia Ledbetter	Auburn Public Library		20 years
Jarrold Nelson	Information Technology		20 years
Retirees			
Riley Brice, Jr.	Engineering Services		31 years
Mike Daughtry	Information Technology		16 years

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

- b. Committee of the Whole.

Mayor Anders stated that at the Committee of the Whole previously held the Council approved the minutes from the February 20 Committee of the Whole meeting and approved the mayor’s role as a voting delegate at the Alabama League of Municipalities annual convention.

- c. 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.

Councilperson Moreman thanked members of Public Safety for their bravery and service to the community.

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

Councilperson Parsons recognized Auburn Firefighter Ducote Talmage for competing on the Voice television series and Auburn City Schools students Kevin Yan, Annie Bao and Jack Parsons for winning the Greater East Alabama Regional Science and Engineering Fair. He noted that the students will move on to compete at the International Science Fair in Los Angeles, CA in May.

5. **AUBURN UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATIONS.**

Auburn University SGA Co-Director of City Relations Jack Steudle updated the Council about events at Auburn University.

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

Tom Connor Brown (1017 Stage Road) spoke in favor of the "No Parking" zone on Tullahoma Drive.

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

None.

8. **CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA.**

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

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

Councilperson Witten moved that the items on the consent agenda be adopted.

Councilperson Moreman seconded the motion, and the following members voted aye: Adams, Dawson, Griswold, Moreman, Parsons, Witten, and Mayor Anders. Abstaining: Coblentz.

- a. Minutes. February 20, 2024, Special Called Meeting. **APPROVED**
February 20, 2024. **APPROVED**

- b. Alcohol beverage licenses.

- (1) Aramark Educational Services, LLC d/b/a Martin Aquatics Center. 160 – Special Retail – More Than 30 Days ABC License. 664 Biggio Drive. **APPROVED**
- (2) Aramark Educational Services, LLC d/b/a Plainsman Park. 160 – Special Retail – More Than 30 Days ABC License. 351 South Donahue Drive. **APPROVED**
- (3) Aramark Educational Services, LLC d/b/a Soccer Complex. 160 – Special Retail – More Than 30 Days ABC License. 730 Biggio Drive. **APPROVED**
- (4) Country Club of Auburn, LLC d/b/a Country Club of Auburn, LLC. 140 – Special Events Retail ABC License. 835 West Magnolia Avenue. **APPROVED**
- (5) Greenawalt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a B and B Beverage Management AU Beard Eaves Coliseum. 140 – Special Events Retail ABC License. 650 Biggio Drive. **APPROVED**
- (6) Greenawalt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a B and B Management Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center. 140 – Special Events Retail ABC License. 152 Wilmore Drive. **APPROVED**
- (7) Greenawalt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a B and B Beverage Management. 140 – Special Events Retail ABC License. 100 Carroll Street. **APPROVED**

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

c. Contracts and agreements.

- (1) CAAM Real-Estate LLC. Development Agreement. One Auburn - Miracle Rd/Sarah Ln Townhomes. **Resolution No. 24-046**
- (2) Rotolo Consultants, Inc. Exit 57 Landscape Maintenance. Landscape and Sustainability. \$54,647.82. **Resolution No. 24-047**

9. **ORDINANCES.**

- a. Traffic control signs and devices. Establish a "No Parking" zone along Tullahoma Drive. Unanimous consent necessary.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance establishes a "No Parking" zone on the west side of Tullahoma Drive from 335 Tullahoma Drive to 803 Tullahoma Drive.

Councilperson Parsons introduced the ordinance.

City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.

Councilperson Parsons moved that unanimous consent be granted to consider the ordinance on its first reading.

Councilperson Witten seconded the motion.

Mayor Anders asked if there was an objection to the ordinance being considered on its first reading.

Hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor Anders declared unanimous consent granted and the ordinance ready for adoption.

Councilperson Griswold said he supports the ordinance.

Councilperson Moreman asked for an explanation of the research done on the item.

Public Safety Services Executive Director Will Mathews explained that it was determined that a fire apparatus vehicle would not be able to pass between the parked cars on both sides of the road and that information was passed on to Engineering Services.

Councilperson Witten asked how the "no parking" zone will be enforced.

Mr. Mathews explained that enforcement will be complaint driven and would also be addressed by enforcement officers if seen while patrolling.

Upon roll call vote, the following Council members voted aye: Dawson, Griswold, Moreman, Parsons, Witten, Adams, Coblenz and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None.

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

Ordinance No. 3474

10. **RESOLUTIONS.**

- a. Concurrence. Webster Road property acquisition.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution is for a concurrence with the Industrial Development Board for the purchase of industrial property located on Webster Road adjacent to the board's existing industrial park.

Councilperson Witten moved that the resolution be adopted.

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

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION No. 24-048

10. **RESOLUTIONS (cont).**

- b. City of Auburn State of Alabama CDBG-CV Grant Award Formal Amendment.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes the Mayor and City Manager to execute all documents necessary to formally amend the City of Auburn State CDBG-CV application.

Councilperson Parsons asked for an overview of the amendments and how the money was allocated.

City Manager Crouch and Community Services Director Al Davis provided the overview and explanation.

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

RESOLUTION No. 24-049

11. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

None.

12. **CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM.**

Marth Shamp (307 Camelia Drive) spoke about the library's collection.

Susan Bolt (1188 East University Drive) spoke against the city's short-term rental regulations.

Steve Cosgrove (1927 Watercrest Drive) spoke in support of the city's leadership and city council.

Robert Wilkins (261 Denson Drive) spoke against the city's short-term rental regulations.

Cathy Donald (349 Payne Street) spoke in support of the city's short-term rental regulations.

Connor Bailey (323 Brookside Drive) spoke in support of the city's short-term rental regulations.

Linda Dean (474 Scott Street) spoke in support of the city's short-term rental regulations.

Councilperson Parsons made statements in support of the Auburn Public Library and the city's short-term rental regulations.

Mayor Anders made a statement rebutting comments that have been made over time regarding both short-term rental regulations and about him specifically.

13. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Councilperson Witten moved that the meeting be adjourned.
Councilperson Dawson seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Manager