

The City Council of the City of Auburn, Alabama, met in regular session on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 6:03 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, Connie Taylor, Beth Witten, and Mayor Ron Anders. Absent: None. Also present was City Manager Megan McGowen 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. Committee of the Whole.

Mayor Anders stated that at the Committee of the Whole previously held the Council approved the minutes from the June 4 Committee of the Whole meeting and heard the Auburn Municipal Court annual report from Judge Jim McLaughlin.

- b. 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.

5. **AUBURN UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATIONS.**

AU SGA Co-director of City Relations Evelyn Cherry 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. Greenspace Advisory Board. One (1) position. Term begins August 8, 2024, and ends August 7, 2028. Appointment July 16, 2024.

City Manager Crouch announced a vacancy on the Greenspace Advisory Board.

8. **CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA.**

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

Councilperson Moreman removed items 8d(2) and 8d(4) from the consent agenda.

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

- a. Minutes. June 4, 2024. **APPROVED**

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

b. Alcohol beverage licenses.

- (1) 140 Grill, LLC d/b/a One Forty Grill. 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor ABC License. 140 North College Street, Suite 101. **APPROVED**
- (2) Auburn Taproom, LLC d/b/a The Plains Taproom. 040 – Retail Beer (On or Off Premises) and 060 – Retail Table Wine (On or Off Premises) ABC Licenses. 200 West Glenn Avenue, Suite 200. **APPROVED**

c. Concurrence. Sale of industrial property to Leehwa SCM, Inc.
Resolution No. 24-112

d. Contracts and agreements.

- (1) B&B Cable Construction LLC. Installation of fiber optic cable from Fire Station 3 to the Lake Wilmore Community Center. \$48,600.
Resolution No. 24-114
- (2) D & J Enterprises, Inc. Emergency Repair. Storm Sewer Sinkhole. \$72,355.

This item was removed from the consent agenda.

- (3) Foresite Group, LLC. Amendment No. 5. Boykin-Donahue Campus Project. \$119,000. **Resolution No. 24-116**
- (4) Granicus, LLC. Three (3) year subscription renewal for Auburn FixIt. \$46,648.20.

This item was removed from the consent agenda.

- (5) Long-Lewis Ford of the Shoals. Purchase two (2) 2024 Ford Edge vehicles. Detective Section. \$71,457. **Resolution No. 24-118**

e. Easements.

- (1) Auburn Links, LLC. Accept sanitary sewer easement. Links Crossing 3 Subdivision. Property located at the western terminus of Westover Street.
Resolution No. 24-119
- (2) Richard D. Starr and James L. Starr, LLC. Accept various easements and right-of-way. Oak Creek, 1st Addition. Property located at the terminus of Glasco Street. **Resolution No. 24-120**
- (3) William A. Cleveland. Accept right-of-way. Woodson-Brentwood Subdivision, Redivision of Lot 1. Property located on the north side of Bonny Glen Road. **Resolution No. 24-121**

d. Contracts and agreements.

- (2) D & J Enterprises, Inc. Emergency Repair. Storm Sewer Sinkhole. \$72,355.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract with D & J Enterprises, Inc.

Councilperson Moreman asked how bad the sink hole was and long it took to repair it.

City Manager Crouch said it developed quickly, was about 5-feet wide, and took nearly a week to repair.

8. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA (cont).

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

RESOLUTION No. 24-115

- (4) Granicus, LLC. Three (3) year subscription renewal for Auburn FixIt. \$46,648.20.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract with Granicus, LLC.

Councilperson Moreman asked if the FixIt app is being updated.

City Manager Crouch said it is not being updated, but staff is working to refine the process for users.

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

RESOLUTION No. 24-117

9. ORDINANCES.

- a. Annexation. Sharon Stitch. Approximately 4.95 acres. Property located at 2042 Bonny Glen Road. Planning Commission recommendation. Unanimous consent necessary.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance annexes approximately 4.95 acres.

Councilperson Coblenz introduced the ordinance.
City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.
Councilperson Coblenz moved that unanimous consent be granted to consider the ordinance on its first reading.
Councilperson Dawson 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.

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

Ordinance No. 3488

- b. Zoning. Planning Commission recommendations. Unanimous consent necessary. Public hearings required.
 - (1) Mimms Trail Rezoning. Rezoning of approximately 65.28 acres from Rural (R) to Development District Housing (DDH).

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance rezones approximately 65.28 acres. She added that a public hearing was required.

9. **ORDINANCES (cont).**

Councilperson Coblentz introduced the ordinance.

City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.

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

Councilperson Dawson 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.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

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

City Council members asked questions. City Manager Crouch and Planning Director Wahid Cotton answered the questions.

Upon roll call vote, the following Council members voted aye: Coblentz, Dawson, Moreman, Parsons, Witten, Adams, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: Griswold and Taylor.

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

Ordinance No. 3489

- (2) Mimms Trail PDD Rezoning. Rezoning to apply the Planned Development District (PDD) designation to approximately 65.28 acres in the Development District Housing (DDH) zoning district.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance rezones approximately 65.28 acres to apply the PDD designation. She added that a public hearing was required.

Councilperson Coblentz introduced the ordinance.

City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.

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

Councilperson Dawson seconded the motion.

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

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

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

Ordinance No. 3490

9. **ORDINANCES (cont).**

c. Traffic control signs and devices. Unanimous consent necessary.

(1) Establish two (2) stop signs. Farmville Lakes, Phase 2 and 6.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance establishes stop signs in Farmville Lakes, Phase 2 and 6.

Councilperson Witten introduced the ordinance.

City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.

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

Councilperson Parsons 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.

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

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

Ordinance No. 3491

(2) Establish one (1) stop sign. Farmville Lakes, Phase 8.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance establishes a stop sign in Farmville Lakes, Phase 8.

Councilperson Witten introduced the ordinance.

City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.

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

Councilperson Parsons 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.

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

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

Ordinance No. 3492

(3) Establish two (2) stop signs. Landings at Academy Phase 2.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance establishes stop signs in the Landings at Academy Drive Phase 2.

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 Coblenz seconded the motion.

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

9. **ORDINANCES (cont).**

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

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

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

Ordinance No. 3493

- (4) Establish one (1) stop sign. Spyglass Subdivision, Phase 1.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance establishes a stop sign in Spyglass Subdivision, Phase 1.

Councilperson Witten introduced the ordinance.

City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.

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

Councilperson Adams 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.

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

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

Ordinance No. 3494

10. **RESOLUTIONS.**

- a. Tax abatement. Leehwa SCM, Inc. Auburn Technology Park South.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution approves a tax abatement for Leehwa SCM, Inc.

Councilperson Dawson moved that the resolution be adopted.

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

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION No. 24-122

11. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

None.

12. **CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM.**

Steve Cosgrove (1927 Watercrest Drive) thanked the Council and city staff for serving the citizens of Auburn.

Robert Wilkins (261 Denson Drive) spoke about short-term rentals and the city council.

13. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Councilperson Dawson moved that the meeting be adjourned.
Councilperson Witten seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.
The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 PM.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Manager