

The City Council of the City of Auburn, Alabama, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, at 6:09 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 Councilmembers were present: Tyler Adams, Max Coblenz, Tommy Dawson, Kelley Griswold, Sonny Moreman, Connie Taylor, Beth Witten, and Mayor Ron Anders. Absent: Bob Parsons. 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.       Employee of the Month and Service Awards.

A video was shown to recognize the employee service awards for April 2025.

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| <b>Employee of the Month</b> |                           |          |  |
| Patrick Slaughter            | Public Works              |          |  |
| <b>Service Awards</b>        |                           |          |  |
| Dustin McGinty               | Water Resource Management | 5 years  |  |
| Charlsie Little              | Communications            | 10 years |  |
| Okeke Glaze                  | Environmental Services    | 10 years |  |
| Lavareis Bryant              | Police                    | 10 years |  |
| Andrew Odom                  | Police                    | 15 years |  |
| Cheryl Van Tuyl              | Finance                   | 20 years |  |
| Calvin Ranzie                | Public Works              | 20 years |  |
| <b>Retirees</b>              |                           |          |  |
| Felice Jones                 | Auburn Public Library     | 22 years |  |
| John Lankford                | Fire                      | 31 years |  |
| Jeffery Reeves               | Public Works              | 25 years |  |

      b.       Committee of the Whole.

Mayor Anders provided a summary of the Committee of the Whole meeting previously held.

      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.

Mayor Anders welcomed a group of Boy Scouts.

Councilmember Taylor thanked Mayor Anders and Councilmember Griswold for attending her ward meeting.

5.       **AUBURN UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATIONS.**

AU SGA Director of City Relations Evelyn Cherry updated the Council about events at Auburn University.

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

Robert Wilkins (261 Denson Drive) spoke about item 8c3.

Cody Warren (1436 McKinley Drive) spoke about item 9a2.

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.

Mayor Anders removed item 8c3.

Councilmember Taylor removed item 8c4.  
Councilmember Griswold removed item 8d1.

Councilmember Griswold moved that the items on the consent agenda be adopted.  
Councilmember Coblentz seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.  
Mayor Anders declared the consent agenda approved.

- a.       Minutes. March 18, 2025. **APPROVED**
- b.       Alcohol Beverage License. Dhanaliya Dada, LLC d/b/a Eagles Liquor. 011 – Lounge Retail Liquor – Class II (Package). 819 East Glenn Avenue, Suite 110. **APPROVED**
- c.       Contracts and agreements.
  - 1.       Cutting Edge Lawn Care, LLC. Landscape Maintenance of I-85 Interchange at Exit 57. Public Works Department. \$32,100. **Resolution No. 25-052**
  - 2.       JACOBS Task Order 2-2025 Wastewater Facilities Master Plan 2025 Update. Water Resource Management Department. \$106,000. **Resolution No. 25-053**
  - 3.       Stivers Ford Lincoln. Purchase one (1) 2025 Ford Explorer 4x2. Inspection Services. \$39,936.

This item was removed from the consent agenda.

- 4.       W. W. Compton Contractor, LLC. Boykin Gymnasium Insulation. Public Works Department. \$198,000.

This item was removed from the consent agenda.

d. Easements.

1. Herring Development, LLC. Accept various public easements and public rights-of-way. Rockhouse Farms. Property located on the northside of Bridlewood Drive, east of Creekwood Trail.

This item was removed from the consent agenda.

2. RB 220 Opelika Rd, LLC. Accept a public easement. Café Racer, Subdivision. Property located at 204 Opelika Road. **Resolution No. 25-057**
  3. Samford Group Development, LLC and Sandhill Development Co., Inc. Accept public easements and public rights-of-way. Arborwoods, Redivision of Lots 1, 2, and 3, Plat Book 50, Page 3. Property located at 1601 Sandhill Road. **Resolution No. 25-058**
  4. Sharon Stich. Accept public easements and right-of-way. Talmage Subdivision - Final Plat. Property located at 2042 Bonny Glen Road. **Resolution No. 25-059**
  5. Southern Company Services, Inc. Accept a public drainage and utility easement. Parkerson Mill Subdivision, Phase 2, Redivision of Lot 1, First Revision of Lot 1B. 406 West Veterans Boulevard. **Resolution No. 25-060**
- e. Board appointment. Auburn Public Library Board. One (1) position. Term begins April 15, 2025, and ends April 14, 2029. **Resolution No. 25-061 (Bonnie MacEwan)**
- c. Contracts and agreements.
3. Stivers Ford Lincoln. Purchase one (1) 2025 Ford Explorer 4x2. Inspection Services. \$39,936.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract with Stivers Ford Lincoln.

Mayor Anders asked who will use this truck and about the duties of this person.

City manager Crouch answered the question.

Councilmember Coblentz moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Dawson seconded the motion, and the following members voted aye: Adams, Coblentz, Dawson, Moreman, Taylor, Witten, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: Griswold.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-054**

4. W.W. Compton Contractor, LLC. Boykin Gymnasium Insulation. Public Works Department. \$198,000.

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

Councilmember Taylor asked for an explanation of the project.

City Manager Crouch answered the question.

Mayor Anders moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-055**

d. Easements.

1. Herring Development, LLC. Accept various public easements and public rights-of-way. Rockhouse Farms. Property located on the northside of Bridlewood Drive, east of Creekwood Trail.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution accepts various public easements and public right-of-way from Herring Development, LLC.

Councilmember Griswold spoke about the item's included map and asked if the City will make improvements to the road.

City Manager Crouch said the developer must make improvements to the road.

Councilmember Witten moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-056**

9. **ORDINANCES.**

a. Traffic Control Signs and Devices. Unanimous consent necessary.

1. Establish "No Parking" zone. Gatewood Place. **Ordinance No. 3530**

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance establishes a "No Parking" zone on Gatewood Place.

Councilmember Witten introduced the ordinance.

City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.

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

Councilmember 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, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None.

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

**Ordinance No. 3530**

2. Establish restricted parking zone. McKinley Avenue and Alice Street.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance establishes a “No Parking” zone on Gatewood Place.

Councilmember Coblentz introduced the ordinance.

City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.

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

Councilmember 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: Witten, Adams, Coblentz, Dawson, Griswold, Moreman, Taylor, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None.

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

**Ordinance No. 3531**

- c. Auburn Water Works Board. Lease consent for temporary construction material laydown and parking area.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance consents to a temporary lease executed by the Auburn Water Works Board.

Councilmember Dawson introduced the ordinance.

City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.

Councilmember Dawson moved that unanimous consent be granted to consider the ordinance on its first reading.

Councilmember Coblentz 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, Coblentz, Dawson, Griswold, Moreman, Taylor, Witten, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None.

Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.

**Ordinance No. 3532**

**10. RESOLUTIONS.**

- a. Conditional use approvals. Planning Commission recommendations. Public hearings required.

1. ETG, LLC. Road Service use [auto dealership (golf cart sales)]. Property located at 453 Opelika Road.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for a road service use. She added that a public hearing was required.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

Joseph Stephens (7006 Vaughn Road, Montgomery, AL) spoke about what he plans to do at the location.

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

Councilmember Coblentz moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-062**

2. DK-Dynamix, LLC. Industrial Use (manufacturing). Property located at 2471 Innovation Drive.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for an industrial use. 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.

Councilmember Coblentz moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Dawson seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-063**

3. Tiger Crossing Subdivision Amenity. Outdoor recreational use/subdivision amenity (clubhouse with office space, pool, and other recreation activities). Property located south of Kent Drive, approximately 450 feet west of East University Drive.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for an outdoor recreational use/subdivision amenity. She added that a public hearing was required.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

Brett Basquin (2361 Ogletree Village Lane) and Brad Dinerstein (address not given) spoke about the project.

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

Councilmember Griswold moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-064**

4. Vintage Expansion. Residential component [performance residential development (two-unit development)] of a mixed-use development (residential and commercial). Property located at 2240 East University Drive.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for a residential component of a mixed use-use development. 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.

Councilmember Coblentz moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Witten seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-065**

- b. Vacation. Drainage and utility easement. Lot Revival, LLC. 900 Annabrook Drive. Public hearing required.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution assents to the vacation of a drainage and utility easement located at 900 Annabrook Drive. 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.

Councilmember Coblentz moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-066**

- c. Industrial Development Board of the City of Auburn. Industrial Access Grant application support for a new industrial road adjacent to the Auburn Industrial Park.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution supports a grant application for a new industrial road adjacent to the Auburn Industrial Park.

Councilmember Coblentz moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-067**

- d. Contracts and agreements.
  - 1. Barge Design Solutions. Modification No. 001 to Task Order SWR 05-2024, Northwest Lift Station and Force Main project. Water Resource Management Department. \$489,030.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract with Barge Design Solutions.

Councilmember Coblentz moved that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Witten seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.

**RESOLUTION No. 25-068**

- 2. James Paving Co, LLC. FY25 Roadway Patch Project. Public Works Department. \$293,367.

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

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

**RESOLUTION No. 25-069**

**11. OTHER BUSINESS.**

None.

**12. CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM.**

Steve Cosgrove (1735 Watercrest Drive) thanked the councilmembers for their work.

Martha Shamp (307 Camelia Drive) spoke about the Auburn Public Library and a club at Auburn High School and related issues.

Jeff Walker (2078 Autumn Ridge Way) spoke about a club at Auburn High School and related issues.

Gabriel Dunham (210 E. Thach Avenue) spoke about a club at Auburn High School and related issues.

Sarah Collins (875 Cahaba Drive) spoke about a club at Auburn high School, the Auburn Public Library and related issues.

Debra Beale (802 Tullahoma Drive) spoke about Auburn City Schools, and related comments made during Citizens' Open Forum.

Robert Wilkins (261 Denson Drive) spoke about the recent Ward 1 meeting, the demonstrator at Toomer's Corner and City Council pay.

Miranda Bachelor (80 Pecan Circle) spoke about a club at Auburn High School and related issues.

Cordelia Capodiferro (139 Solamere Lane) spoke about a club at Auburn High School and related issues.

Councilmember Beth Witten addressed the comments made during Citizens' Open Forum.

**13. ADJOURNMENT.**

Councilmember Coblentz moved that the meeting be adjourned.  
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.  
The meeting was adjourned at 6:39 PM.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Manager