

**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COVINGTON**

**ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA
ANDALUSIA CITY HALL
JANUARY 3, 2017**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

PRESENT:

Earl V. Johnson, Mayor
Will Sconiers, Councilmember
Kenneth C. Mount, Councilmember
Hazel Griffin, Councilmember
Ralph Wells, Councilmember
Terry Powell, Councilmember
Mark Christensen, City Attorney

ABSENT:

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order and welcomed all. Mayor Johnson led the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Johnson presented the minutes from the regular meeting on December 20, 2016. Councilmember Sconiers moved to approve both sets of minutes. Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 01, APPROVING THE
ACQUISITION OF THE HISTORIC FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING:**

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2017-01, Approving the Acquisition of the Historic First National Bank Building to the council.

**CITY OF ANDALUSIA
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RESOLUTION 2017 – 01

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF THE HISTORIC FIRST
NATIONAL BANK BUILDING IN DOWNTOWN ANDALUSIA**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Andalusia desires to restore, revitalize and preserve Historic Downtown Andalusia; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Andalusia has recently begun two major downtown redevelopment projects in order to create employment, increase sales and property taxes and to improve the quality of life for all of the citizens of the City of Andalusia; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Andalusia has determined that the Historic First National Bank Building on South Cotton Street, at Coffee Street, must be secured, preserved and made commercially viable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, that \$261,500 be appropriated from the Capital Improvement Account for the acquisition of the Historic First National Bank Building and that the mayor and city clerk are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of January, 2017.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer

Councilmember Powell moved to approve Resolution No. 2017 - 01. Councilmember Wells seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mayor Johnson recognized Rick Clifton of the Estep Foundation to make a presentation related to Resolution No. 2017 – 01. Mr. Clifton presented \$100,000 to the City of Andalusia on behalf of the Estep Foundation for the purpose of support of the acquisition of the First National Bank Building and downtown redevelopment. Mayor Johnson thanked Mr. Clifton for the generous support of the Estep Foundation and expressed his and the council's commitment to downtown redevelopment in honor of John and Grace Estep.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Mayor Johnson called the meeting adjourned.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

BY: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John Thompson City Clerk – Treasurer