

**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COVINGTON**

**ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA
ANDALUSIA CITY HALL
MAY 2, 2017**

REGULAR WORK SESSION 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:

The City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, met in room 340 at city hall for a work session at 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of planning and finalizing the agenda.

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ABSENT:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Johnson presented the minutes from the regular meeting on April 18, 2017. Councilmember Mount moved to approve the minutes. Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT FOR THE ANDALUSIA PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Mayor Johnson presented a proposal for replacing the computers in the computer lab at the Andalusia Public Library. Councilmember Powell moved to appropriate \$23,649 from the capital improvement account to complete the project. Councilmember Wells seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM CONTINGENCY FOR THE 2017 JUNIOR RODEO ASSOCIATION STATE FINALS:

Mayor Johnson presented a request for assistance with the 2017 Junior Rodeo Association State Finals at the Covington Arena. Councilmember Wells moved to appropriate \$1,500 from contingency to support the event. Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 11, REQUESTING AN ATTORNEY GENERAL’S OPINION:

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2017 – 11, Requesting an Attorney General’s Opinion to the council.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 11

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR
TO SEEK AN ATTORNEY GENERAL’S OPINION**

WHEREAS, the Andalusia City Council is responsible for appointing some of the board members of the South Central Alabama Mental Health Board pursuant to Code of Alabama § 22-51-8; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to appoint a well-qualified person who lives less than a mile outside the municipal limits of Andalusia and whose residence is within the area served by the South Central Alabama Mental Health Board; and

WHEREAS, a question has arisen about whether the Code of Alabama permits the Andalusia City Council to appoint a person who resides outside the municipal limits;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, that the mayor is authorized to request an opinion from the Alabama Attorney General regarding the proper interpretation of the Council’s power of appointment pursuant to Code of Alabama § 22-51-8.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of May, 2017.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

**By: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor**

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer

Councilmember Sconiers moved to approved Resolution No. 2017 – 11. Councilmember Wells seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT FOR UPGRADES TO CITY HALL’S ENTRANCE SYSTEM:

Mayor Johnson presented a proposal for upgrading the entrance system to city hall. Councilmember Griffin moved to appropriate \$7,973 from the capital improvement account to complete the project. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT FOR UPGRADES TO CITY HALL’S CAMERA SYSTEM:

Mayor Johnson presented a proposal for upgrading the camera system at city hall. Councilmember Powell moved to appropriate \$8,584 from the capital improvement account to complete the project. Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM THE CAPITAL ACCOUNT FOR UPGRADES TO THE ANDALUSIA POLICE DEPARTMENT’S ENTRANCE SYSTEM:

Mayor Johnson presented a proposal for upgrading the entrance system at the police department. Councilmember Griffin moved to appropriate \$13,593 from the capital account to complete the project. Councilmember Wells seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 12, SCHOOL CAPITAL PROJECTS:

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2017 – 12, School Capital Projects to the council.

**CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION 2017 – 12

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2017
CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR ANDALUSIA CITY SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Andalusia City Schools has determined that in the interest of present and future students of Andalusia City Schools, capital projects at Andalusia High School, estimated to cost \$8 million, to renovate the auditorium and stadium, will be completed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, that the project will move forward and that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to secure financing for the project, not to exceed \$6 million for a period not longer than twenty – five years. This arrangement will be secured by a funding agreement between the City of Andalusia and Andalusia City Schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is the understanding of all parties that the source of revenue for the repayment of the financial arrangement of the 2017 capital projects will be the educational sales taxes memorialized in Ordinance 2013 – 03, of the City of Andalusia.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of May, 2017.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By: _____
Earl Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk/Treasurer

Councilmember Powell moved to approve Resolution No. 2017 – 12. Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

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