

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COVINGTON COUNTY

ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA  
ANDALUSIA CITY HALL  
JUNE 20, 2017

**REGULAR WORK SESSION MEETING**

**PRESENT:**

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

**ABSENT:**

The City Council of the City 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.

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mayor Johnson presented the minutes from the regular meeting on June 6, 2017. Councilmember Mount moved to approve the minutes. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL RECEIVES 2016 AUDIT REPORT:**

Mayor Johnson announced that the council received the 2016 Audited Financials from Rabren, Odom, Pierce and Hayes at the June 6, 2017, regular meeting. Councilmember Powell moved to accept the report and to have it fixed to the permanent record. Councilmember Wells seconded the motion which passes unanimously.

**MAYOR PRESENTED PROPOSAL FOR CHRISTMAS 2017, CANDYLAND, ETC.:**

Mayor Johnson presented a proposal for Christmas 2017, Candyland, etc. Councilmember Powell moved to approve the proposal as presented and to appropriate \$134,000 from the capital account to cover the expenses. Councilmember Wells seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES RESCHELULING OF NEXT MEETING:**

Mayor Johnson announced that the next meeting of the city council was scheduled for Tuesday, July 4, 2017, Independence Day. Councilmember Wells moved to reschedule the meeting to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 6, 2017, in the third floor conference room at city hall. Councilmember Sconiers seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM CONTINGENCY FOR THE SKYVISION CAMERA PROGRAM:**

Mayor Johnson announced that WSFA TV made a proposal to locate a Skyvision camera in Andalusia. Councilmember Griffin moved to appropriate \$15,000 from contingency to complete the project. Councilmember Sconiers seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 2017-15, COSTS OF ABATEMENT OF PROPERTIES:**

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2017-15, Costs of Abatement of Properties to the council.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-15**

**A RESOLUTION DETERMINING COSTS OF ABATEMENT OF PROPERTIES**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Andalusia, Alabama, adopted the provisions of State of Alabama Act 94-540 by Ordinance No. 1994-7 which provides for the abatement of nuisances; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council is required to confirm the costs the City of Andalusia has incurred in the abatement of nuisance properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Andalusia has incurred costs in the abatement of nuisances located at 101 Pear St. described as Parcel # 1304184404029000; 201 South Three Notch St. described as Parcel # 13041844040320000; now

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Andalusia that the actual costs of abatement of the aforementioned properties is as follows:

Parcel: 1304184404029000  
 Owner: Tisdale Family Properties Inc.  
 Description: 101 Pear Street  
 Actual Cost of Abatement: \$31,412.21  
 +11.11% (County handling) \$3,489.90  
 Total: \$34,902.11

Parcel: 13041844040320000  
 Owner: Tisdale Family Properties Inc.  
 Description: 201 South Three Notch Street  
 Actual Cost of Abatement: \$15,680.61  
 4 – Certified Letters: \$35.25  
 +11.11%(County expenses) \$1,746.03  
 Total: \$17,461.89

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Earl V. Johnson, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**John M. Thompson, City Clerk/Treasurer**

Councilmember Powell moved to approve Resolution No. 2017-15. Councilmember Wells seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**MAYOR ANNOUNCED THE OPENING OF A PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor Johnson announced the opening of a public hearing for the purpose of receiving a report from the appropriate municipal official, Andy Wiggins, pursuant to Ordinance 2015-03, Unsafe Structures and Dangerous Buildings, and Mark Christensen, the city’s attorney, relating

to 110 Jernigan Street and 304 Ninth Street. Mayor Johnson called for a suspension of the rules in order for the council to immediately consider the matter and asked the clerk to call the roll which produced the following results:

**YES:**

**NO:**

**ABSTAINED:**

Mayor Johnson  
Councilmember Mount  
Councilmember Wells  
Councilmember Sconiers  
Councilmember Powell  
Councilmember Griffin

Mayor Johnson asked if anyone present wished to speak about either property. Mr. Danny Lee addressed the council about 110 Jernigan Street. Mayor Johnson announced that the public hearing was now closed.

**COUNCIL APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 2017-16, 110 JERNIGAN STREET PUBLIC NUISANCE:**

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution 2017-16, 110 Jernigan Street Abatement, to the council.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017- 16  
A RESOLUTION ABATING 110 JERNIGAN STREET**

**WHEREAS**, the appropriate Municipal Official has made a finding pursuant to Ordinance No. 2015-03 of the City of Andalusia that the building at 110 Jernigan Street within the City of Andalusia is dangerous and unsafe to the extent that it is a public nuisance; and

**WHEREAS**, a lis pendens was filed with the Judge of Probate of Covington County, Alabama on April 27, 2017 and said lis pendens gave notice that a public meeting would be held during the regular meeting of the City Council on June 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Andalusia City Hall; and

**WHEREAS**, copies of the lis pendens have been served upon the owners and other parties due to be given notice, copies have been posted on the property itself and at the Covington County Courthouse, the Andalusia Public Library, and the Andalusia City Hall, and notice has also been published in the *Andalusia Star News*; and

**WHEREAS**, the public meeting was held at the date and time contained in the lis pendens, and the City Council has reviewed and considered all of the information presented to it;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, hereby accepts the findings and recommendations of the Appropriate Municipal Official and that the abatement of the building at 110 Jernigan Street, Andalusia, AL 36420 proceed immediately.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Earl V. Johnson, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**John M. Thompson, City Clerk-Treasurer**

Councilmember Wells moved to approve Resolution 2017-16. Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVED RESOLUTION No. 2017-17, 304 NINTH STREET PUBLIC NUISANCE:**

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2017-17, Abatement of 304 Ninth Street, to the council.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017- 17  
A RESOLUTION ABATING 304 NINTH STREET**

**WHEREAS**, the appropriate Municipal Official has made a finding pursuant to Ordinance No. 2015-03 of the City of Andalusia that the building at 304 Ninth Street within the City of Andalusia is dangerous and unsafe to the extent that it is a public nuisance; and

**WHEREAS**, a lis pendens was filed with the Judge of Probate of Covington County, Alabama on April 27, 2017 and said lis pendens gave notice that a public meeting would be held during the regular meeting of the City Council on June 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Andalusia City Hall; and

**WHEREAS**, copies of the lis pendens have been served upon the owners and other parties due to be given notice, copies have been posted on the property itself and at the

Covington County Courthouse, the Andalusia Public Library, and the Andalusia City Hall, and notice has also been published in the *Andalusia Star News*; and

**WHEREAS**, the public meeting was held at the date and time contained in the list of attendees, and the City Council has reviewed and considered all of the information presented to it;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, hereby accepts the findings and recommendations of the Appropriate Municipal Official and that the abatement of the building at 304 Ninth Street, Andalusia, AL 36420 proceed immediately.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Earl V. Johnson, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**John M. Thompson, City Clerk-Treasurer**

Councilmember Griffin moved to approve Resolution No. 2017-17. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion which passes unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Earl V. Johnson, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**John Thompson City Clerk – Treasurer**