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ANDALUSIA CITY HALL
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COVINGTON
2:00 p.m. November 2, 2020

ORGANIZATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

None

The Honorable Benjamin Bowden, Covington County Circuit Judge of the Twenty-Second Judicial Court of the State of Alabama, administered the oaths of office to Earl V. Johnson, Mayor, Joe Nix, Councilmember, District One, Kenneth Mount, Councilmember, District Two, Hazel Griffin, Councilmember, District Three, Ralph Wells, Councilmember, District Four, Terry Powell, Councilmember, District Five. (Copies of these oaths of office are attached and made part of these minutes.)

COUNCIL SETS TIME FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Mayor Johnson announced that it was necessary for the council to establish a time and place for regular meetings and rules of procedure. Councilmember Powell moved to set the first and third Tuesday of each month, 6:00 p.m., Auditorium at City Hall, 505 East Three Notch Street, Andalusia, Alabama, with a work session prior to the regular meetings and that Roberts Rules of Order, as amended, be the procedures established for all city council meetings. Mr. Powell further moved that the organizational meeting serve as the first meeting of November,

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2020, and that the regular schedule begin on Tuesday, November 17, 2020. Councilmember Wells seconded the motion. Mayor Johnson called for a vote which produced the following results:

<u>Yes:</u>	<u>No:</u>	<u>Abstained:</u>
Mayor Johnson	None	
Councilmember Nix		
Councilmember Mount		
Councilmember Griffin		
Councilmember Wells		
Councilmember Powell		

COUNCIL APPOINTS MAYOR PRO TEMPORE:

Mayor Johnson announced that nominations were open for Mayor Pro Tempore for the 2020 – 2024 term. Councilmember Wells nominated Councilmember Terry Powell to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore. Councilmember Nix seconded the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Mayor Johnson called for a vote which produced the following results:

<u>Yes:</u>	<u>No:</u>	<u>Abstained:</u>
Mayor Johnson	None	Councilmember Powell
Councilmember Nix		
Councilmember Mount		
Councilmember Griffin		
Councilmember Wells		

COUNCIL APPOINTS CITY CLERK - TREASURER:

Mayor Johnson announced that nominations were open for City Clerk-Treasurer. Councilmember Mount nominated John Thompson to serve as City Clerk-Treasurer for the 2020 – 2024 term. Councilmember Griffin seconded the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Mayor Johnson called for a vote which produced the following results:

<u>Yes:</u>	<u>No:</u>	<u>Abstained:</u>
Mayor Johnson	None	None
Councilmember Nix		
Councilmember Mount		
Councilmember Griffin		
Councilmember Wells		
Councilmember Powell		

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MAYOR APPOINTS CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

Mayor Johnson appointed John M. Thompson City Administrator, per Ordinance 2020 - 08.

COUNCIL APPOINTS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UTILITIES BOARD OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA:

Mayor Johnson announced that nominations were open for the council's representative to the Utilities Board of the City of Andalusia. Councilmember Mount nominated Councilmember Powell to serve on the Utilities Board. Councilmember Wells seconded the nomination. Mayor Johnson called for a vote which produced the following results:

Yes:

Mayor Johnson
Councilmember Nix
Councilmember Mount
Councilmember Griffin
Councilmember Wells

No:

None

Abstained:

Councilmember Powell

COUNCIL APPOINTS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SOUTHEAST GAS BOARD:

Mayor Johnson announced that nominations were open for the City of Andalusia's representative to the Board of Directors of Southeast Gas for the 2020 – 2024 term. Councilmember Powell nominated Councilmember Mount to the Board of Directors of Southeast Gas. Councilmember Wells seconded the nomination. Mayor Johnson called for a vote which produced the following results:

Yes:

Mayor Johnson
Councilmember Nix
Councilmember Griffin
Councilmember Wells
Councilmember Powell

No:

None

Abstained:

Councilmember Mount

COUNCIL APPOINTS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA:

Mayor Johnson announced that nominations were open for the council's representative to the Planning Commission. Councilmember Powell nominated Councilmember Nix to the

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Planning Commission. Councilmember Mount seconded the nomination. Mayor Johnson called for a vote which produced the following results:

Yes:

Mayor Johnson
Councilmember Nix
Councilmember Mount
Councilmember Griffin
Councilmember Wells
Councilmember Powell

No:

None

Abstained:

COUNCIL APPOINTS CITY ATTORNEY:

Mayor Johnson announced that nominations were open for city attorney. Councilmember Griffin nominated Mark Christensen City Attorney. Councilmember Nix seconded the nomination. Mayor Johnson called for a vote, which produced the following results.

Yes:

Mayor Johnson
Councilmember Nix
Councilmember Mount
Councilmember Griffin
Councilmember Wells
Councilmember Powell

No:

None

Abstained:

None

COUNCIL APPOINTS PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE ANDALUSIA MUNICIPAL COURT:

Mayor Johnson announced that nominations were open for Judge of the Municipal Court. Councilmember Wells nominated Mike L. Jones, Jr. Councilmember Powell seconded the nomination. Mayor Johnson called for a vote which produced the following results:

Yes:

Mayor Johnson
Councilmember Nix
Councilmember Mount
Councilmember Griffin
Councilmember Wells
Councilmember Powell

No:

None

Abstained:

None

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MAYOR APPOINTS CITY DEPARTMENT AND ASSISTANT DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Mayor Johnson reappointed all department heads and assistant department heads.

COUNCIL DESIGNATES A DEPOSITORY FOR THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ASSETS:

Mayor Johnson announced that it was necessary to designate a depository for the city's financial assets for the term. Councilmember Wells moved to continue the present depository arrangement with Truist Bank. Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion. Mayor Johnson called for a vote which produced the following results:

Yes:

Mayor Johnson
Councilmember Nix
Councilmember Mount
Councilmember Griffin
Councilmember Wells
Councilmember Powell

No:

None

Abstained:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

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

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk/Treasurer