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**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COVINGTON**

**ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA
ANDALUSIA CITY HALL
FEBRUARY 21, 2023, 6:00 PM**

REGULAR WORK SESSION MEETING

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Ralph Wells, Councilmember

The City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, met in the third-floor conference room at the city hall for a work session at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of planning and finalizing the agenda.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Johnson presented the minutes from the regular meeting on February 7, 2023. Councilmember Nix moved to approve the minutes. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2023-08, SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES, FIRE, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, POLICE, AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS:

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2023-08, Surplus Equipment and Vehicles, Fire, Planning and Development, Police, and Public Works Departments.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION 2023-08

**A RESOLUTION TO SURPLUS FIRE, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT,
POLICE, AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS EQUIPMENT AND
VEHICLES**

WHEREAS, the City of Andalusia, Alabama, has inventoried its equipment/vehicles and found the following equipment/vehicles to be unneeded for municipal public purposes:

Unit No. F007
Fire Dept

1989 Pierce, Fire Truck Pumper, Engine #11
Vin No. 4P1CT01F8LA000194

Unit No. F010
Fire Dept

1997 Ford Crown Victoria
Vin No. 2FALP71WXVX194345

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| Unit No. F028 Fire Dept | 2007 Chevrolet Impala Vin No. 2G1WS55R379286735 |
| Unit No. AC19 P&D Dept | 2002 White Dodge Caravan Vin No. 2B4GP44322R728303 |
| Unit No. B01 1 P&D Dept | 2008 Ford F-350 Truck Vin No. 1FDWF36R78EC00559 |
| Unit No. S044 Police Dept | Militaiy Front Loader, Green Serial No.50331 |
| Unit No. A977 Police Dept | 1997 Blue Chevrolet Van Vin No. 1GBHG31F7V1087176 |
| Unit No. S058 Public Works Dept | Welding Machine |
| Unit No. S063 Public Works Dept | 1995 Ford F-150 Truck 1FTEF15N3SNA65865 |
| Unit No. S-2 Unit No. S-3 Public Works Dept | Air Compressor Air Compressor Curb Machine Root Rake Tires at Recycle Yard Recycle Buggy Camper Shell |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, that said equipment listed above is no longer needed for municipal public purposes and that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sell or otherwise dispose of said surplus property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the equipment/vehicles be declared surplus.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st day of Februauiy, 2023.

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THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By : -----
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John Thompson, City Clerk-Treasurer

Councilmember Mount moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-08. Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR ALABAMA JUNIOR RODEO ASSOCIATION FINALS JUNE 7-10, 2023:

Mayor Johnson presented a request for sponsorship of the Alabama Junior Rodeo Association's annual rodeo in Andalusia in June, 2023. Councilmember Powell moved to appropriate \$1,500 from contingency to sponsor the event and noted that it served a public purpose by teaching and promoting safety to the public and participants. Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2023-09, ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE PROPERTIES:

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2023-09, Abatement of Nuisance Properties.

**CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-09

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama that we, after having examined the report of the City Building Inspector, do hereby find that the property in question specifically described below and denominated as parcel numbers by the Revenue

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Commission of Covington County is hazardous to the health, safety, welfare, and morals of the citizens of Andalusia and thereby constitute a public nuisance pursuant to the Alabama Act No. 94-540 as adopted by the City Council of the City of Andalusia:

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| 1) | 127 Railroad Avenue | parcel# 1304183003010002 |
| 2) | 223 Opp Avenue | parcel# 1304184401028000 |
| 3) | 308 Mcdonald Street | parcel # 1304184002021000 |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes the Building Inspector to proceed with the abatement of these nuisances as authorized under the State of Alabama Act. No. 94-540 as adopted by the City of Andalusia.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st day of February 2023.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

BY: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk

Councilmember Griffin moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-09. Councilmember Nix seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2023-10. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES WITH COVID RELIEF FUNDS:

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2023-10, Information Technology Infrastructure Upgrades with Covid Relief Funds.

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**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-10

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF
CERTAIN EQUIPMENT FOR THE IT DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Treasury has issued the final rule to implement the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund established under the American Rescue Plan Act; and

WHEREAS, the City has received such funds for qualified projects; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, finds that the IT Department is in need of certain computer equipment to upgrade its service; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds that the needed equipment will not need to be bid out because it is available through SHI, a vendor on the State Bid *List I* for a total price of \$136,411.41; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also finds that the purchase of such equipment will qualify as part of the standard allowance for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction of the City's general revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency as provided by the Secretary of the Treasury's final rule, 31 Code of Federal Regulations § 35.6(d)(1);

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, that an expenditure from the funds made available by the American Rescue Plan Act in the amount of \$136,411.41 for the purchase of the equipment in the attachment is hereby approved.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st day of February, 2023.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA

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ATTEST:

Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

John M. Thompson, City Clerk-Treasurer

Councilmember Powell moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-10. Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES CONTRACT FOR EVENTS AND PROMOTION:

Mayor Johnson presented a contract for marketing and coordination of special events with Douglas Fraser/The Art of the Game. Councilmember Powell moved to authorize the mayor and city clerk to execute the contract. Councilmember Nix seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2023-11, DECLARING A VACANCY ON THE ANDALUSIA CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2023-11, Declaring a Vacancy on the Andalusia City Council.

**CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION 2023 -11

A RESOLUTION DECLARING AV ACANCY ON THE ANDALUSIA CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Ralph C. Wells, Andalusia City Council Representative of District Four, has notified the city clerk in writing of his intention to retire from public service, effective February 21, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Wells has served as a member of the Andalusia City Council since 2012, drawing upon his considerable financial expertise and business experience to provide input into the management of the City of Andalusia; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Wells has been a proponent of improved recreational facilities and services to enhance the quality of life for local residents; and

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WHEREAS, his constituents' trust in him was evident in 2020 when he stood for reelection without opposition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA that Ralph C. Wells be congratulated and honored for his service and commitment to the citizens of the City of Andalusia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council declares that the council seat for District Four is vacant.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 215¹ day of February, 2023.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk-Treasurer

Councilmember Griffin moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-11. Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

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ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk-Treasurer