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**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COVINGTON**

**ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA
ANDALUSIA CITY HALL
October 17, 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:

Presley Boswell, Councilmember

Mayor Johnson announced that the staff needed to share information with the council related to revoking the business license of Mellow Haze and called the roll on the question of an executive session.

YES

Mayor Johnson
Councilmember Nix
Councilmember Mount
Councilmember Griffin
Councilmember Powell

NO

None

Mayor Johnson noted that it was 5:38 PM and that the council would reconvene in an open session in approximately half an hour.

At approximately 5:50 PM, Mayor Johnson announced that the executive session had ended and that the council took no action, only received information.

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

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ABSENT:

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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 October 3, 2023. Councilmember Mount moved to approve the minutes. Councilmember Nix seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES ABC BOARD LICENSE APPLICATION FOR OFF THE TRAXS, LLC:

Mayor Johnson presented an application for a -010- Lounge Retail Liquor license for Off the Traxs, LLC, on 234 S Cotton Street in Andalusia. Councilmember Mount moved to approve the application. Councilmember Nix seconded the motion. Mayor Johnson called for a vote, which produced the following results:

YES:

Mayor Johnson
Councilmember Nix
Councilmember Mount

NO:

Councilmember Griffin

ABSTAINED:

Councilmember Powell

COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2023-61, REAPPOINTING DIRECTOR TO PUBLIC EDUCATION BUILDING AUTHORITY:

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Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2023-61, Reappointing Director to Public Education Building Authority.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-61

**A RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT A DIRECTOR
OF THE PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL BUILDING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA**

WHEREAS, the Public Educational Building Authority of the City of Andalusia was incorporated on August 25, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Code of Alabama § 16-18-5 provides that public educational building authorities shall have a board of three directors who are qualified electors and the owners of real property in the determining municipality and that the directors shall be appointed by the governing body of the determining municipality; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is the governing body of the determining municipality for the Public Educational Building Authority of the City of Andalusia; and

WHEREAS, Code of Alabama § 16-18-5 also provides that the Board of Directors shall serve staggered terms; and

WHEREAS, the term of a current Director, Steve Posey, is due to expire on November 13, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that Steve Posey has served ably and should be reappointed as a Director;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, that Steve Posey is a qualified person and is hereby elected to serve as Director of the Public Educational Building Authority of the City of Andalusia

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for a term expiring at noon on the second Monday in November 2029;

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 17th day of October, 2023.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk-Treasurer

Councilmember Powell moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-61. Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

MELLOW HAZE:

Mayor Johnson asked the council to consider setting a public hearing during its next regular meeting on November 7, 2023, to consider revoking the business license of Mellow Haze. The business has been temporarily closed as a result of a criminal investigation being conducted at the business. Councilmember Powell moved to have a hearing on November 7, 2023. Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Mayor Johnson announced that the council received an audit report of the City's Financial Statement for the Fiscal year 2022 from Rabren, Odom, Pierce, and Hayes. Councilmember Nix moved to approve the audit report and to have it permanently affixed to the official record, minutes of the Andalusia City Council. Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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COUNCIL APPROVES APPROPRIATION TO ASSIST WITH BETHESDA HOUSE:

Mayor Johnson announced that the council received a report from Dr. Alison Jackson-Wood from Bethesda House during the work session. Councilmember Powell moved to appropriate \$40,000 from Contingency to assist Bethesda House and noted the public benefit of the assistance. Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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