

CITY OF ANNISTON

November 19, 2024

5:30 P.M.

- **INVOCATION**
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- **CALL TO ORDER**
- **ROLL CALL**
- **READING/APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**
 - October 15, 2024
- **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**
- **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**
 - Special Recognition of the Anniston Barracudas Swim Team for winning the 2024 ARPA State Swimming Championship

I. PUBLIC HEARING

Speaking to a Public Hearing Item

In the interest of time and to ensure the fairness of all persons who appear before the City Council to speak for or against a public hearing item, speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes each to address City Council except as described herein. One speaker for the Petitioner may address the City Council for no more than 10 minutes, unless extended by the Mayor. In an effort help the City Council and the general public to better understand the issues, the Mayor may request that a City staff member address the City Council from the podium. Speakers from the general public may only speak when recognized by the Mayor during the public hearing. Speakers will be asked to come to the podium to address the City Council for three (3) minutes and they shall state their name and resident address for the record. Speakers addressing City Council on a public hearing item should coordinate comments in order to respect City Council's time constraints. Groups should select a spokesperson to present the major points that summarize their position and opinions. Speakers are urged to be brief and non-repetitive with their comments. Comments shall specifically address the public hearing item before the City Council, and the speaker shall maintain appropriate tone and decorum when addressing the City Council. City Council may ask questions of the applicant, speakers, or staff during these proceedings only for the purpose of clarifying information. The speaker shall not direct derogatory comments to any individual, organization, or business. At the conclusion of the three (3) minute time period, the speaker will be notified that his/her time has elapsed and the next speaker will be recognized to come forward to the podium and address the City Council. Once the public hearing is closed on an item, there will be no further opportunity for formal or informal public input at a City Council meeting.

- (a) Receive public comments on a 140-Special Events Retail License for the City of Anniston dba Anniston Museums and Gardems Decades Dance located in the city limits at 920 Museum Drive Anniston, AL 36206
- (b) Receive public comments to consider an ordinance amending Section 7.17 of the City of Anniston Zoning Ordinance, Tobacco Shop Regulations, to Include Tobacco Products, Cannabidiol (CBD) Oil, Electronic/Liquid Base Smoking or Vaping Products, and which by law, persons under the age of 21 Are Prohibited from entry.

- (c) Receive public comments on the possible relocation of Ward 2 polling location to the Anniston Fire Training Center

II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- (a) Motion to approve a 140-Special Events Retail License for the City of Anniston dba Anniston Museums and Gardens Decades Dance located in the city limits at 920 Museum Drive Anniston, AL 36206
- (b) Motion to approve a Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only) for ZMA Variety LLC d/b/a ZMA One Stop Shop located in the police jurisdiction of Anniston at 1436 Lenlock Ln, Anniston, AL 36206
- (c) Motion to waive the fee for the use of the City Meeting Center by East Alabama Regional Planning Development Commission to present a Fraud Summit for the community
- (d) Resolution declaring personal properties as surplus and authorizing the disposal of said property
- (e) Resolution authorizing disbursement from New Business Sales Tax Revenue Education Fund

IV. RESOLUTIONS

- (a) Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama, authorizing the Adoption and Approval of Amendment 1 of the Consulting Agreement Between the City of Anniston and Dunn and Max Consulting for Administration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and HOME Investment Partnerships Act Programs
- (b) Resolution to amend the FY2024 Budgets for the General Operating Fund, Anniston Museums & Gardens Fundsm Stormwarer Fund, Internal Service Funds, and the Capital Projects Fund to Adjust for the Differences Between the Previously Adoped Budgets and Presently Projected Revneues and Expenditures in the budgets of the Various Funds

V. ORDINANCES

- (a) Ordinance declaring surplus real property and authorizing conveyance of the same

VI. ADDITIONAL OR OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE COUNCIL

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comment – Speaker Protocol

The City of Anniston believes that any member of the general public should be afforded the opportunity to address the City Council provided that designated rules are followed by the speaker. Any member of the public, who wishes to address the City Council and offer public comment on items within the City Council's jurisdiction, may do so during the Public Comment period of the meeting. However, no formal action will be taken on matters that are not part of the posted agenda. In order to ensure the opportunity for all those desiring to speak before the Council, there is no yielding of time to another speaker. This opportunity to address City Council may not be used to continue discussion on an agenda item that has already been held as a public hearing. Matters under negotiation, litigation, or related to personnel will not be discussed. Members of the general public who would like to address the City Council during the Public Comment portion of the meeting, may do so in accordance with the rules outlined in Ordinance 21-0-22 adopted by the City Council on November 2, 2020 as stated:

Section 12. Members of the public may address the Council or speak on matters of public concern during the period of the meeting agenda reserved for public comments, subject to the following procedures:

(a) No person shall be allowed to speak during public comments unless he or she submits a Request to Speak During Public Comments form to the Office of the City Manager no later than 3:00 P.M. on the Friday before the Council meeting. The request shall identify the speaker by name and residential address and shall specify the date of the meeting in which the speaker desires to offer public comments.

(b) The period for public comments shall be open to the **first ten (10) persons** who submit a timely request to speak during the meeting at hand.

(c) In advance of each meeting, the City Manager shall provide the Council a list of the persons authorized to speak during the period for public comments, not to exceed ten (10) persons, which shall identify the speakers in the order in which their requests were made. The presiding officer shall call on each person from the list. Once recognized, each person shall be provided no more than **three (3) minutes** to complete his or her public comments.

(d) Those persons who make a timely request, after the first ten (10) requests, shall be first on the list of persons authorized to speak during the period for public comments in the next meeting, unless he or she asks to be removed from the list.

Section 13. All comments made by members of the Council shall be restricted to the matter under consideration and shall be addressed to the presiding officer, except during the period of the meeting reserved for Council Comments. All comments made by members of the Council shall be restricted to three (3) minutes, unless the presiding officer grants exception for good cause.

Section 14. No comments shall be permitted by a member of the Council or by a member of the public that is of a disparaging nature or which would constitute a personal attack on the integrity of any member of the Council or the staff of the City. Once the speaker has been recognized to speak, he/she should not attempt to engage the City Council and/or Staff in a discussion/dialogue and the speaker should not ask specific questions with the expectation that an immediate answer will be provided as part of the three (3) minute time frame since that is not the intent of the Public Comment period. If the speaker poses a question or makes a request of the City, the Mayor may refer the issue or request to the City Manager for follow up. At the conclusion of the three (3) minute time period, the speaker will be notified that his/her time has elapsed and the next speaker will be recognized to come forward to the podium and address the City Council. The Mayor may rule out of order any Speaker who uses abusive or indecorous language, if the subject matter does not pertain to the City of Anniston, or if the Speaker(s) attempts to engage the City Council Members in a discussion or dialogue on issues. City Council shall not discuss non-agenda matters because it does not give the public adequate notice. Accordingly, City Council shall be limited to asking factual and clarifying questions of staff, and when appropriate, the Council may consider placing a matter on a future agenda. In addition, it is not reasonable to expect staff to respond to any of a variety of issues on which they may or may not be prepared to respond to on a moment's notice, so the City Manager may respond, or direct staff to respond at a later time.

a) Vanessa Sanders

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT