

# TUSCALOOSA CITY COUNCIL MEETING SYNOPSIS

Tuesday, March 22, 2022

**CONVENED:** 6:00 p.m.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor Walt Maddox

President Pro Tem Tyner

Councilmembers Wilson, Howard, Crow, Busby, Faile, Lanier

## **ABSENT**

None

**BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** All votes are unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

Approved minutes of previous meeting **(Ty/H)**

## **PROCLAMATIONS AND STATEMENTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

*President Pro Tem Tyner, Councilor Faile, and Councilor Busby gave their well wishes and thoughts to Barry Coleman.*

## **AGENDA ITEM COMMENTS BY CITIZENS**

*Mr. Harrison Taylor and Mr. Darryl McKinstry expressed their concerns regarding the Benjamin Barnes YMCA site location and asked for further discussion on the topic with the public.*

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approved items "a through j" on the consent agenda. **(Ty/H)**

- a. Authorized payment to Markedia Wells-Binion in settlement of claim (22-0057).
- b. Authorized payment to Tehisha Fitch in settlement of claim (22-0062).
- c. Authorized payment to Elisabeth W. King in settlement of claim (22-0072).
- d. Authorized payment to Chester Simmons in settlement of claim (21-0300).
- e. Authorized payment to Christina Lake in settlement of claim (22-0080).
- f. Authorized payment to Johnny Bernard Bolden, Sr. in settlement of claim (22-0077).
- g. Authorized payment to Dorothy A. Rice in settlement of claim (22-0011).
- h. Authorized Change Order No. 2 for 2019 Sanitary Sewer Rehab and Repair (A19-1179/2019.030.001).
- i. Set a public hearing pursuant to Section 24-106 of the Code of Tuscaloosa pertaining to historical or architectural landmarks (A22-0284).
- j. Set a date for a hearing to set the cost of demolishing the building at 3304 Beck Street.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Tabled for 30 days the demolition of the structure at 2801 21<sup>st</sup> Street. This item will next be heard on April 26, 2022. (Virgil Williams from Urban Development- Inspections gave a departmental report of the demolition. Owner's representative was present to answer any questions from Council. No one spoke in favor of or in opposition to the demolition.) (H/L)

Approved the ABC application of Heritage House North Inc. for an alcohol license at Heritage House; 5600 Rice Mine NE; 35406: (Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council. No one else spoke in favor of or in opposition to the application.)

- 22-017 Restaurant Retail Liquor License. (Ty/C)

Approved the ABC application of Helevation Investments LLC for an alcohol license at The Ivy in Tuscaloosa; 3510 Loop Road; 35404: (Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council. No one else spoke in favor of or in opposition to the application.)

- 22-018 special retail alcohol license of more than thirty (30) days. (Ty/L)

## **RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES NOT OF A GENERAL NATURE OR PERMANENT OPERATION**

Approved the ABC application of Starner and Starner Enterprises LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for Alabama Beta Alumni Meet and Greet (22-019; 304 University Boulevard, 35401). (Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council. After the vote, Officer Champion stated that the Tuscaloosa Police Department did not recommend this application to be approved.) (Ty/H; B-no)

Approved the ABC application of Downtown Entertainment LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for SAE Parents Weekend (22-020; 432 University Boulevard, 35401). (Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council.) (Ty/H)

Approved the ABC application of Downtown Entertainment LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for Phi Gam Parents Weekend (22-021; 976 University Boulevard, 35401). (Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council.) (Ty/H)

Approved the ABC application of Downtown Entertainment LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for April Fools (22-022; 2301 Joe Mallisham, 35401). (Vincent Brown with

**A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council.) (W/H)**

Approved the ABC application of Downtown Entertainment LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for Athalon (22-023; 2301 Joe Mallisham, 35401). **(Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council.) (H/W)**

Approved the ABC application of Downtown Entertainment LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for Pig Dinner (22-024; 976 University Boulevard, 35401). **(Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council.) (C/H)**

Approved the ABC application of Downtown Entertainment LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for Barnyard (22-025; 2301 Joe Mallisham, 35401). **(Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council.) (C/H)**

Approved the ABC application of Downtown Entertainment LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for DKE Parents Weekend (22-026; 946 University Boulevard, 35401). **(Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council.) (L/H)**

Approved the ABC application of Downtown Entertainment LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for Fiji Island (22-027; 976 University Boulevard, 35401). **(Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council.) (H/C)**

Approved the ABC application of Downtown Entertainment LLC for a special events retail license (less than 7 days) for Farm Party (22-028; 2301 Joe Mallisham, 35401). **(Vincent Brown with A&F- Revenue and Officer Champion with the Tuscaloosa Police Department each gave a departmental report. The applicant was present to answer any questions from Council.) (C/H)**

Authorized the Mayor to execute a trade agreement with Crimson Carpet & Flooring, Inc. (A22-0208). **(L/W)**

Authorized the execution of agreements and related documents for the 2022 Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Convention (A21-1218). **(W/H)**

Authorized the execution of agreements and related documents for the 2022 Mayor's Cup (A21-1224). **(W/H)**

Authorized the execution of agreements and related documents for the 2022 Druid City Arts Festival (A21-1217). **(W/Ty)**

Tabled for seven (7) days the Benjamin Barnes YMCA Site Selection Committee regarding the site for the new Benjamin Barnes YMCA facility (A22-0263). This item will next be heard on March 29, 2022. **(H/W)**

Authorized the submission of an application to the Federal Aviation Administration for the new terminal funding under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Airport Terminal and Tower Project (A22-0260). **(W/L)**

Authorized amendments to the City's agreement and authorized the Mayor to execute the amended agreement with Temporary Emergency Services, Inc. under the City's 2020 Emergency Solutions Grants Program (A22-0279). **(W/H)**

Authorized an amendment to the City's agreement and authorized the Mayor to execute the amended agreement with the Salvation Army under the City's 2020 Emergency Solutions Grants Program (A22-0278). **(W/H)**

Authorized amendments to the City's agreement and authorized the Mayor to execute the amended agreement with San, Inc. d.b.a. Turning Point under the City's 2020 Emergency Solutions Grants Program (A22-0277). **(W/H)**

Authorized the Chief Financial Officer to draw a draft for the Juanita Drive Phase II Improvements Project Property Acquisitions; total of \$3,011.00 (A20-0095). **(Ty/C)**

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Authorized agreement with Wex Bank (A22-0239). **(C/W)**

Authorized minor public works contract with SRP Company; total not to exceed \$34,056.00 (A22-0212). **(W/H)**

Authorized minor public works contract with DSL Electric, Inc.; total not to exceed \$24,035.00 (A22-0215). **(W/C)**

Authorized minor public works contract with Dogan Steel, Inc.; total not to exceed \$14,795.00 (A22-0216). **(C/W)**

Withdrew the resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute agreement with Logrhythm, Inc.; total not to exceed \$79,600.00 (A22-0217). **(H/L)**

Authorized the Mayor to execute an agreement for professional engineering services with Cassady Company regarding the University Boulevard Bridge Replacement Utility Relocations Project; total not to exceed \$11,586.02 (A22-0282). **(W/C)**

Authorized professional services contract with Life Extension, Inc.; total not to exceed \$166,225.00 (A21-1547). **(H/W)**

Authorized the Chief Financial Officer to draw a draft for the McWrights Ferry Road Improvements Project Right of Way Acquisitions (A18-0165). **(C/H)**

Authorized the Mayor to execute medical training agreement between Tuscaloosa Fire Rescue and the United States Army for the Combat Paramedic Program (A22-0206). **(W/L)**

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS OF A GENERAL NATURE OR PERMANENT OPERATION**

**FOR INTRODUCTION**

Adopted Ordinance No. 9189 appointing members to various boards and commissions **(intro: W/C; unanimous: Ty/C)**

**FOR ADOPTION**

**AUDITING ACCOUNTS**

Authorized the payment of bills; total: \$52,677.09. **(F/C)**

**OTHER MATTERS BROUGHT BEFORE THE COUNCIL**

*Ms. Tanika Rice, Mr. Harrison Taylor, and Ms. Lisa Young expressed their concerns regarding the location of the new Benjamin Barnes YMCA location and asked the Council to have more discussions with the public regarding the topic. Ms. Lisa Young also announced a job fair on March 30, 2022, at the McDonald Hughes Center for citizens of Tuscaloosa to attend.*

**POLICY IMPLEMENTATION BY MAYOR:**

“Subject to the exercise of mayoral veto on ordinances of a general nature or permanent operation, all applicable departments are hereby ordered to otherwise implement council policy this date enacted.”

**ADJOURNED 6:54 p.m. (Ty/H)**

Lillie McIntyre  
Acting City Clerk



Following each item of business are the initials of the Councilmember who introduced the item and the Councilmember who seconded the matter: W-Wilson, H-Howard, C-Crow, B-Busby, T-Tyner, F-Faile, L- Lanier. Only “No” votes are distinguished.