

SYNOPSIS

TUSCALOOSA CITY COUNCIL

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

CONVENED: 3:16 pm

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson Lee Busby
Councilmember Matthew Wilson
Councilmember John Faile (alternate)

ABSENT

Vice Chairperson Norman Crow

BUSINESS CONDUCTED: All votes are unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

Approved minutes of previous meeting. **(F/W)**

NEW BUSINESS

Discussed FY25 budget hearing items.

- TPD Drone Program **(Chief Brent Blankley and Steve Zark, Tuscaloosa Police Department, and Becky Scheeff, Accounting and Finance presented this item for discussion only.)**
- Emergency Operations Manager position **(Brendan Moore, Chief Operations Officer, Lachlan Chronister, Municipal Security, and Becky Scheeff, Accounting and Finance, presented this item for discussion only.)**
- Accounting and Finance Revenue Code Enforcement **(Becky Scheeff and Trent Smelley, Accounting and Finance, presented this item for discussion only.)**
- Opioid settlement revenue and agency funding contract amounts **(Becky Scheeff, Accounting and Finance, and Scott Holmes, City Attorney, presented this item for discussion only.)**

Approved disbursement from the District 1 Improvements Fund. **(F/B; Councilmember Wilson presented this item.)**

Approved Water and Sewer budget revision no. 3. **(W/F; Becky Scheeff, Accounting and Finance, presented this item.)**

Approved Water and Sewer Reserve for Future Improvements budget revision no. 5. **(W/F; Becky Scheeff, Accounting and Finance, presented this item.)**

Authorized payment to Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) for the buyout of FHWA Grant related to the Queen City Bath House totaling \$390,000.00. **(W/F; Becky Scheeff, Accounting and Finance, and Brendan Moore, Chief Operations Officer, presented this item.)**

Granted approval to apply for the FY25 ADPH Fluoridation Grant Program. **(W/F; Bryan Gurney, Water and Sewer, presented this item.)**

Authorized renewal of the City's Engineers Professional Liability 2024-2025 Insurance Coverage with QBE Specialty Insurance Company totaling \$20,038.00. **(W/F; Scott Holmes, City Attorney, presented this item.)**

Adopted an ordinance suspending pay plan to include one step for non-public safety pay schedule employees. **(W/F; Becky Scheeff, Accounting and Finance, and Scott Holmes, City Attorney, presented this item.)**

Amended Section 19-42 Exhibit D of the City's pay plan to add a COLA for public safety pay schedule employees. **(W/F; Scott Holmes, City Attorney, presented this item.)**

Amended Section 16-90 and 16-156 regarding solid waste collection and service charges. **(W/F; Becky Scheeff, Accounting and Finance, presented this item.)**

Tabled the General Fund budget for fiscal year 2025. **(W/F)** This item will next be heard at the September 17 Finance Committee meeting.

Tabled the General Fund Reserve for Future Improvement budget for fiscal year 2025. **(W/F)** This item will next be heard at the September 17 Finance Committee meeting.

Tabled the Elevate budget for fiscal year 2025. **(W/F)** This item will next be heard at the September 17 Finance Committee meeting.

Tabled the Water and Sewer Fund budget for fiscal year 2025. **(W/F)** This item will next be heard at the September 17 Finance Committee meeting.

Tabled the Water and Sewer Reserve for Future Improvement Fund budget for fiscal year 2025. **(W/F)** This item will next be heard at the September 17 Finance Committee meeting.

Tabled request for authorization for the Mayor to execute agency funding contracts for calendar year 2025. **(W/F)** This item will next be heard at the September 17 Finance Committee meeting.

Tabled authorization for the use of opioid settlement funding for various agencies. **(W/F)** This item will next be heard at the September 17 Finance Committee meeting.

Tabled authorization of expenditure for General Fund Facility Renewal Fund for fiscal year 2025. **(W/F)** This item will next be heard at the September 17 Finance Committee meeting.

Tabled authorization of expenditure for Water and Sewer Facility Renewal Fund for fiscal year 2025. **(W/F)** This item will next be heard at the September 17 Finance Committee meeting.

Authorized adjusting CPI timing application within various chapters of the Code of Tuscaloosa. **(W/F; Becky Scheeff and London Jenkins, Accounting and Finance, and Scott Holmes, City Attorney, presented this item.)**

ADJOURNED 4:25 p.m. (W/F)

Vickie Gilliland
Council Secretary



Following each item of business are the initials of the Councilmember who introduced the item and the Councilmember who seconded the matter: B-Busby, C-Crow, W-Wilson, and F-Faile. "No" votes are distinguished.