

CULLMAN CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON AUGUST 19, 2021 IN THE LUCILLE N. GALIN AUDITORIUM

Council President Jenny Folsom called the Cullman City Council Meeting to order at 11:30 o'clock a.m. on Thursday, August 19, 2021.

A roll call by City Clerk Wesley Moore reflected the following: Present - Mayor Woody Jacobs, Council Member Andy Page, Council President Pro Tem Johnny Cook, Council Member David Moss, Council Member Clint Hollingsworth and Council President Jenny Folsom. Also present were Attorney Roy Williams and City Clerk Wesley Moore.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA - None

COMMENTS FROM ANYONE NOT ON THE AGENDA - None

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS & OTHER BUSINESS

Council President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021 – 132

AUTHORIZATION OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Pandemic Emergency of the second wave of COVID-19 constitutes a serious hazard to lives in the City of Cullman and places a strain upon the area healthcare resources; and

WHEREAS, Cullman Regional has requested that the City of Cullman, pursuant to its authority under ALA CODE§ 11-45-1 and CODE§31-9-10 (1975), to provide for the health and safety of persons and property, find it in the best interest of the City due to the climbing hospitalizations accredited to Covid-19 and its variants, to assist the Hospital in providing medical services by providing Fire/EMT and Police services on-site, at the large event occurring this weekend; and

WHEREAS, Governor Kay Ivey issued an Executive Order on August 13, 2021, declaring a state of emergency in the State of Alabama regarding Covid-19 in order to ensure that healthcare resources may be primarily used to fight Covid-19 and the newly formed variants of the virus and allow hospital staffs to insure proper care for those in the hospital and other health care needs; and

WHEREAS, ALA CODE§31-9-10 (1975) provides the power and authority for a political subdivision such as the City of Cullman to declare a state of local emergency and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of a political subdivision by law, including but not limited to:

- a. Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;
- b. Entering into contracts;
- c. Incurring obligations;
- d. Employment of temporary workers;
- e. Utilization of volunteer workers;
- f. Rental equipment;
- g. Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities;
- h. Appropriation of expenditure of public funds.
- i. To assign and make available duty the employees, property, or equipment of the city relating to firefighting, engineering, rescue, health, medical and related service, police, transportation, construction, and similar items or services for emergency management purposes, within or outside of the physical limits of the political subdivision.
- j. To assist medical services within or outside of the physical limits of the political subdivision during the State of Emergency as the Council and/or Mayor see fit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 19th day of August, 2021, that the second wave of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) poses a serious threat to the residents of the City of Cullman, Alabama, and the local healthcare system/resources that a State of Local Emergency has been declared, effective 7:00 p.m., on this date for the City of Cullman, Alabama.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 19th day of August, 2021.

/s/ Jenny Folsom, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 19th day of August, 2021.

/s/Woody Jacobs, Mayor

Council Member Hollingsworth seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

Council President Pro Tem Cook moved to enter into executive session to discuss the character, reputation or job performance of an employee. City attorney Roy Williams stated those to be included in the executive session are Mayor Jacobs, the City Council and himself and the council meeting is expected to reconvene in approximately 15 minutes. Council Member Hollingsworth seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None. The executive session began at 11:33 a.m. and council meeting reconvened at 12:11 p.m.; no action was taken.

Council President Folsom asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Hollingsworth made the motion to adjourn. Council Member Moss seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m. by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.