

**CULLMAN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025, AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE LUCILLE N. GALIN AUDITORIUM**

Council President Jenny Folsom called the Cullman City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 24, 2025. Police Officer Jeff Lawson presented the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Council President Jenny Folsom asked the Council to consider the minutes from July 24, 2025. Council President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to approve the minutes from July 24, 2025, as written. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – None.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Public Safety (Fire, Police, etc.) - Council Member Brad Smith shared the Baby Box installation is expected to be complete this week at Fire Station 3; and the Police Department has received new ten-cartridge tasers for officers to carry.
2. Utilities (Water, Sewer, etc.) - Council Member David Moss – No report.
3. Public Works (Street, Sanitation, etc.) - Council Member Johnny Cook – No report.
4. Tourism (Parks & Recreation, Airport, etc.) - Council Member Clint Hollingsworth. Park Director Nathan Anderson shared that Christkindlmarkt was awarded the prestigious Signature Event of the Southeast award; shared upcoming forums for East Side Park and the Community Theater. Chamber of Commerce’s final 2nd Friday event drew the largest crowd to date for the annual summer events, with over 11,800 people attending the event. Airport Director Ben Harrison gave an update on the airport’s construction projects.
5. General Government (Finance, Economic Development, etc.) - Council Member Jenny Folsom – No report.

REPORT FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Jacobs shared an update on the city’s operations.

COMMENTS FROM ANYONE NOT ON THE AGENDA – None.

PUBLIC HEARING – None.

REQUESTS, PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, AND OTHER

Council Member Moss made a motion to approve a request from QuikTrip located at 1811 4th Street SW for a beer and wine off premises alcohol license, which received a favorable recommendation from the Alcohol Review Committee. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, HEARINGS, APPOINTMENTS AND OTHER

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 64

TO APPOINT ELECTION OFFICIALS FOR THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 26, 2025 AND THE RUN-OFF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2025 IF NECESSARY

WHEREAS, a municipal election has been called to be held on the 26th day of August, 2025; with a run-off election on September 23rd, 2025, if necessary; and

WHEREAS, Section 11-46-27 of the Code of 1975, as amended, provides that the municipal governing body shall, not be less than 15 days before the holding of any municipal election, appoint from the qualified electors of the respective voting districts officers to hold the election; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Cullman, Alabama, that the election officers for said election shall be as follows:

<u>DONALD E. GREEN SENIOR CENTER</u>	<u>BEAT 1 BOX 1</u>
Linda Romine	Inspector
Rachel Monk	Chief Clerk
Judy Fitzgerald	Clerk
Patricia Marsh	Clerk
Mark Aderhold	Clerk

DONALD E. GREEN SENIOR CENTER BEAT 1 BOX 2
Rebecca Parker Inspector
Debra Reynolds Chief Clerk
Becky Kirk Clerk
Emily Abney Clerk
David Abney Clerk

DONALD E. GREEN SENIOR CENTER BEAT 1 BOX 3
Robert Allison Inspector
Brenda Allison Chief Clerk
Donna Tinsley Clerk
Donna Hope Clerk
Katelyn Dooley Clerk

CULLMAN COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING BEAT 1 BOX 4
Sarah Brown Inspector
Jason Murphree Chief Clerk
Sharon Murphree Clerk
Doug Whaley Clerk
Kay Whaley Clerk
Chris King Clerk

CULLMAN CITY HALL BEAT 1 BOX 5
Catherine Haggard Inspector
Kitty Warren Chief Clerk
Shannon Berse Clerk
Blair Calvert Clerk
Seth Thompson Clerk
Johnny Kirk, Jr. Clerk

CULLMAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE BEAT 1 BOX 6
Toby Monts Inspector
Janis Edmondson Chief Clerk
Susan Jones Clerk
Ann Swayka Clerk
Gwen Parker Clerk
Teresa Hill Clerk

CULLMAN CITY HALL ABSENTEE BOX
Patricia Sapp Inspector
Barry Slatton Chief Clerk
Melanie Maddox Clerk
Milton Wilder Clerk

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, should a vacancy occur at any polling place due to the inability to serve by any of the officials hereby appointed, that the responsibility to appoint a replacement for that official/s is hereby delegated to Wesley Moore.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 11th day of August, 2025.

/s/Jenny Folsom, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 11th day of August, 2025.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

Council Member Hollingsworth made a motion to approve the following resolution:

**CITY OF CULLMAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 65**

WHEREAS, City of Cullman has applied for and received a \$500,000.00 FY2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant (LWCF) Grant #:24-LW-1099 to construct improvements to Lions Club Park.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Cullman recognizes that it is in the City’s best interest to accept the above referenced grant funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Cullman City Council authorizes Woody Jacobs, Mayor to sign the LWCF Grant Agreement, certifications, assurances, and any other necessary documents associated with implementation of this grant project.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 11th day of August 2025.

Signed for the Cullman City Council:

By: /s/Woody Jacobs, Mayor

Attest: /s/Wesley M. Moore, City Clerk

Council President Pro Tem Cook seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 66

APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR WIREGRASS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

WHEREAS, the Cullman City Council awarded the bid for the GA Apron Rehabilitation for the Cullman Regional Airport recently to Wiregrass Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$4,134,155.59;

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman wishes to approve Change Order No. 1 to increase the project cost by \$72,840.66 to \$4,206,996.25 due to construction delays; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Cullman City Council that the Mayor is authorized to execute Change Order No. 1 which will increase the total cost of the contract with Wiregrass Construction Company, Inc. to \$4,206,996.25.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 11th day of August, 2025.

/s/Jenny Folsom, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 11th day of August, 2025.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the following resolution:

**CITY OF CULLMAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-67**

WHEREAS, City of Cullman, acting by and through its City Council proposes to apply \$500,000.00 in Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) funds to renovate the former Calvary Apostolic First United Pentecostal Church for development of the Cullman Community Theater.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Cullman City Council as follows:

THAT, WOODY JACOBS, MAYOR, is hereby authorized to execute and submit an application with appropriate assurances to the State of Alabama, Department of Economic and Community Affairs, requesting Fiscal Year 2025 ARC funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 to construct the renovations required to convert the former church into a community theater.

That, the Cullman City Council agrees and hereby commits to providing a cash match in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 in support of this application.

READ AND APPROVED by the City of Council of Cullman, Alabama on this the 11th day of August 2025.

SIGNED FOR THE CITY OF CULLMAN:

/s/Woody Jacobs, Mayor

Attest:

/s/Wesley M. Moore, City Clerk

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 68

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council (the "Council") of the **CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA**, a municipal corporation under the laws of the State of Alabama (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. Findings. The Council has ascertained and does hereby find and declare as follows:

(a) It is necessary and desirable and in the interest of the City to construct building improvements at the Airport; and

(b) The cost of these improvements is expected to be approximately \$2,784,670; and

(c) The city intends to finance these improvements through the issuance of tax-exempt Debt or other financing sources as designated; and

(d) The city intends to allocate a portion of the proceeds to reimburse the City for certain costs incurred in connection with the construction of said improvements prior to the issuance of the Debt.

Section 2. Declaration of Official Intent. The City does hereby declare its intention that there be allocated a portion of the proceeds of the Debt to reimburse the City for expenditures incurred after the date that is no more than sixty (60) days prior to the date of the adoption of this resolution, but prior to the issuance of the Debt, in connection with the construction of the aforesaid building improvements at the Airport. This resolution is being adopted pursuant to the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2(e) promulgated thereunder.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 11th day of August, 2025.

/s/Jenny Folsom, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 11th day of August, 2025.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

BOARD APPOINTMENTS – None.

Council President Folsom asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Smith made the motion to adjourn. Council Member Moss seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m. by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.