

**CULLMAN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2026, AT 7:00 PM
IN THE LUCILLE N. GALIN AUDITORIUM**

Council President Kim Hall called the Cullman City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 9, 2026. Pastor Joe McNulty 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 Pro Tem David Moss, Council President Kim Hall, Council Member Jason Willoughby, Council Member Paul Schaffer, and Council Member Chuck Shikle. City Attorney Brandy Lee, and City Clerk Wesley Moore were also present.

Council President Kim Hall asked the Council to consider the minutes from January 29, 2026. Council Member Moss made a motion to approve the minutes from January 29, 2026 as written. Council Member Schaffer seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: PETITIONS, REQUESTS, AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Greg Brown, 1507 Bolte Road SE, spoke regarding speeding traffic on Bolte Road.

Council Member Shikle made a motion to approve request from Prem Deep Corporation, dba Harry’s #58 located at 2100 Main Ave SW for a “beer off-premises” alcohol license, which received a favorable recommendation from the Alcohol Review Committee. Council President Pro Tem Moss seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote.

Council Member Shikle made a motion to approve request from Sipsey Vineyard and Winery, LLC, dba Sipsey Wines located at 112 Clark Street NE for an “off-site tasting room” alcohol license, which received a favorable recommendation from the Alcohol Review Committee. Council Member Willoughby seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Council Member Place 1 - Council Member Chuck Shikle reported on operations and recognitions related to the public safety departments.
2. Council Member Place 2 – Council Member Davis Moss reported on operations and recognitions related to the tourism departments.
3. Council Member Place 3 - Council Member Willoughby reported on operations related to public works departments.
4. Council Member Place 4 - Council Member Paul Schaffer reported on operations and recognitions related to related to the utility departments.
5. Council Member Place 5 - Council Member Kim Hall shared the monthly budget, reported on operations and recognitions related to general government departments.
6. Mayor – Woody Jacobs reported on the city’s operations. Mayor Jacobs reappointed Blake Bright to the Planning Commission for a term expiring January 1, 2032.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council President Hall held the second reading of Ordinance No. 2026-24 update Chapter 10-363 Authority of Building Department; *Duties*. Council Member Willoughby made a motion to approve the following ordinance:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026 – 24
TO UPDATE CHAPTER 10-363 AUTHORITY OF BUILDING DEPARTMENT; DUTIES
IN THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES
FOR THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA**

SECTION I. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Ordinance is to update section 10-363 in Chapter 10 Building Regulation, Article VI. Administration and Enforcement.

SECTION II. The following section of the City of Cullman, Chapter 10, “Building Regulation,” Section 10-363, “Authority of building department; duties,” of the *Code of Ordinances City of Cullman, Alabama*, is deleted in its entirety and amended to read as follows:

Sec. 10-363. Authority of building department; duties.

The building department, through the building inspector, fire marshal or their designee, shall enforce the provisions of this chapter. Authorized agents of the building department are vested with the police power necessary for the purpose of issuing charges and prosecuting persons charged with violating this chapter. In carrying out its duties under this chapter, the building department shall have the following specific duties, in addition to such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the city council:

- (1) To receive applications and issue permits and certificates required by this chapter.
- (2) To make necessary inspections to see that the provisions of this article are met.
- (3) To enforce all laws relating to the construction, alteration, repair, installation, erection, removal, demolition, use, location, and maintenance of properties, buildings, equipment, appliances, or systems, except as may be otherwise provided for in other ordinances or regulatory measures.
- (4) To make investigations in connection with matters referred to in this article and render written reports on the same when requested by the proper authority, or when the city's interests so require.
- (5) To issue notices or orders as may be necessary to enforce compliance with this article, to remove illegal or unsafe conditions or to secure the necessary safeguards.
- (6) To refuse, revoke and/or withhold permits, certificates and/or licenses when violations of the provisions of this chapter are found, construction is found non-compliant with approved plans, potential nuisances and/or trespass conditions may exist.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. Each and every provision of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an independent provision and that holding of any provision hereof to be void and invalid for any reason shall not affect any other provision hereof and it is hereby declared that the other provisions of this Ordinance would have been enacted regardless of any provision which might have been held invalid. This Ordinance repeals any prior Ordinance in conflict therewith.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be effective following its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

Council Member Shikle seconded the motion to approve the Ordinance, and the motion was approved by a roll call vote. Mr. Wesley Moore polled the Council Members: Council President Pro Tem Moss: Aye. Council President Hall: Aye. Council Member Willoughby: Aye. Council Member Schaffer: Aye. Council Member Shikle: Aye.

Council President Hall held the second reading of Ordinance No. 2026-25 to vacate and surplus properties on County Road 1466 (portions of PIN 6648, 6915, 9003, and 77318) not needed for any public or municipal purpose for their fair market values. Council President Pro Tem Moss made a motion to approve the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 – 25

TO VACATE AND SURPLUS PROPERTY NOT NEEDED FOR ANY PUBLIC OR MUNICIPAL PURPOSE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Cullman City Council hereby established and declared that the following described real property of the City of Cullman, Alabama, is no longer needed for public or municipal purposes, to-wit:

Lot 1 - A parcel of land situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 6, Township 10 South, Range 2 West, of the Huntsville Meridian, Cullman County, Alabama {bearings and distances referenced to the State Plane Coordinate System, West Zone, NAD83 (2011) more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a found railroad spike at the southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence run South 89 degrees 15 minutes 25 seconds East 40.00 feet along the south line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003) on the east right of way of County Road No. 1466 and the Point of Beginning; thence run North 00 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds East 131.22 feet along the east right of way of said County Road No. 1466 to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003); thence run South 89 degrees 31 minutes 39 seconds East 375.58 feet to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003); thence run South 00 degrees 45 minutes 20 seconds West 132.99 feet to a found 5/8" rebar on the south line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence run North 89 degrees 15 minutes 25 seconds West 374.31 feet along the south line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter back to the Point of Beginning. Said parcel contains 1.137 acres (49,532 square feet) more or less.

Lot 2 - A parcel of land situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 6, Township 10 South, Range 2 West, of the Huntsville Meridian, Cullman County, Alabama {bearings and distances referenced to the State Plane Coordinate System, West Zone, NAD83 (2011) more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a found railroad spike at the southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence run South 89 degrees 15 minutes 25 seconds East 40.00 feet along the south line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003) on the east right of way of County Road No. 1466; thence run North 00 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds East 131.22 feet along the east right of way of said County Road No. 1466 to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003) and the Point of Beginning; thence run North 00 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds East 131.22 feet along the east right of way of said County Road No. 1466 to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#002); thence run South 89 degrees 47 minutes 46 seconds East 376.85 feet to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003); thence run South 00 degrees 45 minutes 20 seconds West

132.99 feet to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003); thence run North 89 degrees 31 minutes 39 seconds West 375.58 feet back to the Point of Beginning. Said parcel contains 1.141 acres (49,700 square feet) more or less.

Lot 3 - A parcel of land situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 6, Township 10 South, Range 2 West, of the Huntsville Meridian, Cullman County, Alabama {bearings and distances referenced to the State Plane Coordinate System, West Zone, NAD83 (2011) more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a found railroad spike at the southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence run South 89 degrees 15 minutes 25 seconds East 40.00 feet along the south line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003) on the east right of way of County Road No. 1466; thence run North 00 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds East 262.44 feet along the east right of way of said County Road No. 1466 to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003) and the Point of Beginning; thence run North 00 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds East 536.61 feet along the east right of way of said County Road No. 1466 to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003); thence run South 89 degrees 47 minutes 46 seconds East 476.31 feet to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003); thence run South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 488.49 feet to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003); thence run North 89 degrees 13 minutes 38 seconds West 100.73 feet to a found 5/8" rebar; thence run South 00 degrees 45 minutes 20 seconds West 49.13 feet to a set 5/8" capped rebar (Schoel CA#003); thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 46 seconds West 376.85 feet back to the Point of Beginning. Said parcel contains 5.767 acres (251,195 square feet) more or less.

PROPERTY IS BEING PURCHASED IN "AS IS" CONDITION.

SECTION 2. The Cullman City Council hereby declares the above described property to be surplus and not needed by the City of Cullman for public or municipal purposes.

SECTION 3. The Cullman City Council hereby directs the City Clerk to advertise the available properties on the city's website, on the city's social media page, and in the local newspaper once a week for two consecutive weeks.

SECTION 4. The Cullman City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to sell these properties, after advertisement, for not less than their fair market values, to be determined by a licensed appraiser, plus any additional fees related to executing these transactions.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

Council Member Shikle seconded the motion to approve the Ordinance, and the motion was approved by a roll call vote. Mr. Wesley Moore polled the Council Members: Council President Pro Tem Moss: Aye. Council President Hall: Aye. Council Member Willoughby: Aye. Council Member Schaffer: Aye. Council Member Shikle: Aye.

NEW BUSINESS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 – 67

TO AWARD BID FOR A FULL SIZE 4WD SUV TO BILL SMITH BUICK GMC

WHEREAS, bids (CB2026-06) were received on February 2, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. for a full size 4WD SUV for the Cullman Economic Development Agency; and

WHEREAS, the following bids were opened:

Bill Smith Buick GMC	Cullman, AL	\$74,115.50
Buster Miles	Heflin, AL	Did not meet specs
Cooper Chevrolet	Anniston, AL	No Response
Cullman Dodge	Cullman, AL	No Response
Donohoo Chevrolet	Fort Payne, AL	No Bid
Long Lewis Automotive Group	Cullman, AL	\$85,002.50
Landers McLarty	Huntsville, AL	Did not meet specs
McSweeney Auto Group	Clanton, AL	Did not meet specs
Mitch Smith Chevrolet	Cullman, AL	\$82,495.00
Voyles Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram	Birmingham, AL	No Response

WHEREAS, the recommendation is to award the bid to Bill Smith Buick GMC, the lowest responsible bidder; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Cullman City Council that the bid for a full size 4WD SUV be awarded to Bill Smith Buick GMC, the lowest responsible bidder in the total amount of \$74,115.50.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/ Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 – 68

TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH JMCM CONSULTING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Cullman City Council has determined that it would serve a public purpose to enter into contract with JMCM Consulting for the professional services for AFG grant writing and administration assistance; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Cullman City Council in the State of Alabama that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with JMCM Consulting for the professional services for AFG grant writing and administration assistance.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/ Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-69

**TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SAIN ASSOCIATES, INC
FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman has determined that entering into an agreement with Sain Associates, Inc. serves a public and municipal purpose by providing traffic engineering services; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Cullman that Mayor Woody Jacobs is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Sain Associates, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$35,000, under the terms and conditions as he deems just.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/ Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

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

**CITY OF CULLMAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-70**

WHEREAS, City of Cullman has been awarded a \$500,000.00 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to implement a Neighborhood Improvement Project on Logan Street SW, 6th Steet SW, and Austin Avenue SW.

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

THAT, THE CITY OF CULLMAN will provide a local cash match of at least \$288,767.75 in support of this project and the City of Cullman will provide all labor and equipment required to construct all improvements associated with this project, which was committed by the City Council on July 14, 2025, Resolution No. 2025-92.

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

READ AND ADOPTED this the 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

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

**CITY OF CULLMAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-71**

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman has received a Community Development Block Grant to implement a Neighborhood Improvement Project on Logan Street SW, 6th Steet SW, and Austin Avenue SW.

WHEREAS, in accordance with federal regulations the City of Cullman solicited, received, and evaluated proposals from qualified grant administrative firms to provide application preparation services and grant administrative services required to implement all approved federal grant projects in accordance with federal regulations.

WHEREAS, the Cullman City Council selected Community Consultants, Incorporated to provide grant administration services for all federal grants approved through FY2026.

THAT, Woody Jacobs, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Community Consultants, Incorporated to perform CDBG project administrative services required to implement the above referenced project in accordance with the approved ADECA administrative fee scale commensurate with the scope of services required to adequately discharge all project administrative responsibilities associated with this project.

ADOPTED this 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February 2026.

/s/ Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

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

**CITY OF CULLMAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-72**

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman has received a Community Development Block Grant to implement a Neighborhood Improvement Project on Logan Street SW, 6th Steet SW, and Austin Avenue SW.

WHEREAS, in accordance with federal regulations the City of Cullman solicited, received, and evaluated proposals from qualified engineering firms to provide all project design and inspections services required to implement all approved federal grant projects in accordance with federal regulations.

WHEREAS, the Cullman City Council selected St. John and Associates to provide grant administration services for all federal grants approved through FY2026.

THAT, Woody Jacobs, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with St. John and Associates to provide all engineering design and inspection services required to implement the above referenced project in accordance with the approved ADECA engineering fee scale commensurate with the scope of services required to adequately discharge all engineering and inspection services associated required to implement the construction phase of this project.

ADOPTED this 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

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

**CITY OF CULLMAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-73**

WHEREAS, City of Cullman was awarded a \$200,000.00 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and a \$500,000.00 Appalachian Region Commission (ARC) grant to implement a CDBG Economic Development Project to construct improvements and resurface a portion of County Road 222 from I-65 to the Topre Manufacturing facility on County Road 222.

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman has completed the construction phase of this project and is in the process of closing this project out with the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA).

WHEREAS, ADECA has requested the city submit a formal amendment request removing engineering services from the approved budget and to remove Cullman County from the sources of local matching funds provided in support of this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Cullman City Council authorize Mayor Woody Jacobs to submit a formal amendment request to ADECA removing engineering services from the approved project budget and removing Cullman County as a source that provided local matching funds in support of this project.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

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

**CITY OF CULLMAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-73**

WHEREAS, City of Cullman was awarded a \$200,000.00 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and a \$500,000.00 Appalachian Region Commission (ARC) grant to implement a CDBG Economic Development Project to construct improvements and resurface a portion of County Road 222 from I-65 to the Topre Manufacturing facility on County Road 222.

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman has completed the construction phase of this project and is in the process of closing this project out with the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA).

WHEREAS, ADECA has requested the city submit a formal amendment request removing engineering services from the approved budget and to remove Cullman County from the sources of local matching funds provided in support of this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Cullman City Council authorize Mayor Woody Jacobs to submit a formal amendment request to ADECA removing engineering services from the approved project budget and removing Cullman County as a source that provided local matching funds in support of this project.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:
/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

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

**CITY OF CULLMAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026 – 74**

WHEREAS, City of Cullman acting by and through its City Council proposes to apply for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - Economic Development Grant and an Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Grant to extend sanitary sewer service R.E. Garrison Trucking.

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of Cullman, Alabama, as follow:

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 2026 CDBG Economic Development Grant Funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 and ARC Grant funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 to extend sanitary sewer service to R.E. Garrison Trucking.

THAT, THE CITY OF CULLMAN will provide a local match of \$178,774.00 in support of this project.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:
/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 9th day of February 2026.

/s/Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

Council President Hall held the first reading of Ordinance No. 2026-27 to regulate the installation and operation of public electric vehicle charging stations within the City of Cullman.

Council Member Shikle made a motion to reappoint Bradley Brock to the Downtown Design Review Board for a term expiring January 22, 2030. Council Member Willoughby seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

Council Member Shikle made a motion to reappoint Carrie Taylor to the Downtown Design Review Board for a term expiring January 22, 2030. Council Member Schaffer seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REMARKS

Council President Hall noted the upcoming council meeting is February 23, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

Council President Hall asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Shikle made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Schaffer seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m. by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.