

**SPECIAL CALLED CULLMAN CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 18, 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, May 18, 2026. Police Chief Joey Duncan presented the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call by City Clerk Wesley Moore reflected the following: Present – Council President Pro Tem David Moss, Council President Kim Hall, Council Member Jason Willoughby, and Council Member Chuck Shikle. Absent – Mayor Woody Jacobs, Council Member Paul Schaffer.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: PETITIONS, REQUESTS, AND COMMUNICATIONS** – None.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES** – None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026 – 92**

**TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SIMPLE GRANTS TO PROVIDE GRANT WRITING AND APPLICATION ASSISTANCE FOR U.S.D.O.T.'S SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL (SS4A) GRANT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman is committed to improving roadway safety for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and other vulnerable road users; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation has made funding available through the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) competitive grant program to support planning, demonstration, and implementation projects aimed at preventing roadway fatalities and serious injuries; and

WHEREAS, the preparation of a competitive SS4A grant application requires specialized expertise in grant strategy, data analysis, project scoping, and technical writing; and

WHEREAS, Simple Grants, a qualified grant consulting firm with extensive experience assisting Alabama municipalities, has proposed to provide professional services to assist the City of Cullman in developing and submitting a strong SS4A grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Cullman City Council finds that entering into a contract with Simple Grants serves a valid public purpose and will benefit the citizens of Cullman by increasing the likelihood of securing federal funding for critical safety improvements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Cullman, Alabama, as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a professional services contract with Simple Grants for assistance in preparing and submitting the grant application under the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program.

Section 2. The contract shall be in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Section 3. The Mayor is further authorized to execute any necessary documents, amendments, or assurances required in connection with the contract and the SS4A grant application process.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 18th day of May, 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 18th day of May, 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 Willoughby made a motion to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026 – 93**

**AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION’S SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL (SS4A) GRANT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman is committed to improving roadway safety for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and other vulnerable road users through data-driven strategies and infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) has made funding available through the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) competitive grant program to support planning, demonstration activities, and implementation projects aimed at preventing roadway fatalities and serious injuries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman desires to apply for SS4A grant funding to develop or advance safety initiatives, including but not limited to safety action planning, road safety audits, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure improvements, and related projects that enhance safety throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, submission of the grant application requires formal authorization by the Cullman City Council and designation of an authorized representative to execute required documents and assurances on behalf of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Cullman, Alabama, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby authorizes the submission of the grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation under the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program.

Section 2. The Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to:

- a) Prepare and submit the necessary grant application(s) and all required supporting documents;
- b) Execute all certifications, assurances, and other documents required by USDOT in connection with the application;
- c) Act as the authorized representative of the City of Cullman in all matters related to the SS4A grant application and any resulting grant agreement;
- d) Provide such additional information as may be required by USDOT.

Section 3. The City Council commits to providing the local match and any required in-kind contributions, if the grant is awarded, subject to future appropriation and approval by the City Council.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 18th day of May, 2026.

/s/Kim Hall, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 18th day of May, 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 COMMENTS AND REMARKS**

Council President Hall noted the upcoming council meeting is May 26, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

**ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Council President Hall asked for a motion to adjourn. Council President Pro Tem Moss made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Shikle seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m. by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

