

**CULLMAN CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON DECEMBER 7, 2020
IN THE LUCILLE N. GALIN AUDITORIUM**

Council President Jenny Folsom called the Cullman City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 o'clock p.m. on Monday, December 7, 2020. Police Chief Kenny Culpepper led the pledge of allegiance and presented the invocation.

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. Absent: None.

Council President Jenny Folsom asked the Council to consider the minutes from November 23, 2020. President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to suspend the rules to consider the minutes. Council Member Page seconded the motion to suspend the rules, and the motion was approved by a roll call vote. Mr. Wesley Moore polled the Council Members: Council Member Page: Aye. Council President Pro Tem Cook: Aye. Council President Folsom: Aye. Council Member Moss: Aye. Council Member Hollingsworth: Aye. President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to approve the minutes from November 23, 2020 as written. Council Member Moss seconded the motion to approve the minutes, and the motion was approved by a roll call vote. Mr. Wesley Moore polled the Council Members: Council Member Page: Aye. Council President Pro Tem Cook: Aye. Council President Folsom: Aye. Council Member Moss: Aye. Council Member Hollingsworth: Aye.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – None.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Public Safety (Fire, Police, etc.) - Chairman Andy Page – No report.
2. Utilities (Water, Sewer, etc.) - Chairman David Moss – No report.
3. Public Works (Street, Sanitation, etc.) - Chairman Johnny Cook – No report.
4. Tourism (Parks & Recreation, Airport, etc.) - Chairman Clint Hollingsworth reported that the Christmas Tree Lighting was a success. He stated that if you missed it that the Christmas Tree Lighting can be viewed online.
5. General Government (Finance, Economic Development, etc.) - Chairwoman Jenny Folsom – No report.

REPORT FROM THE MAYOR – Mayor Jacobs did not have a report.

COMMENTS FROM ANYONE NOT ON THE AGENDA – None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.

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

President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to approve a special events permit from CPRST Therapeutic Special Needs Program for a Christmas Drive Thru around Depot Park on Thursday, December 17, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Council Member Hollingsworth seconded the motion and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS & OTHER BUSINESS

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

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2021 – 50

**AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN CSX TRANSPORTATION AND THE CITY OF
CULLMAN FOR ENGINEERING AND/OR DESIGN SERVICES FOR PROPOSED WARNING SYSTEM
UPGRADES**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Cullman wishes to enter into a Preliminary Engineering Agreement with CSX Transportation, Inc. to facilitate the development of the proposed SSMs and Warning System Upgrades at 8th Street NW (352170R, 000-338.99), 9th St SE (352177N, 000-340.18), and Arnold St. (352171X, 000-339.38) in Cullman, Alabama:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Cullman requests that CSXT proceed with certain necessary engineering and/or design services for the Project to facilitate the parties' consideration of the Project.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Cullman City Council that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into contract with CSXT for the engineering and design services for the development of the proposed SSMs and Warning System Upgrades at 8th Street NW (352170R, 000-338.99), 9th St SE (352177N, 000-340.18), and Arnold St. (352171X, 000-339.38) in Cullman, Alabama.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 7th day of December, 2020.

/s/Jenny Folsom, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR, this the 7th day of December, 2020.

/s/Woody Jacobs, Mayor

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

Council President Folsom held the second reading of Ordinance No. 2021-11 to approve the 2021 Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday. Council Member Page made a motion to adopt the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021 - 11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA,

TO EXEMPT CERTAIN "COVERED ITEMS" FROM THE MUNICIPAL SALES AND USE TAX DURING THE STATE OF ALABAMA SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS SALES TAX HOLIDAY

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

Section 1. In conformity with the provisions Act 2012-256 enacted by the Alabama Legislature during the 2012 Regular Session, providing for a State Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday, the City of Cullman, Alabama, exempts "covered items" from municipal sales and use tax during the same period, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, February 26th, 2021 and ending at twelve midnight on Sunday, February 28th, 2021.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be subject to all term, conditions, definitions, time periods, and rules as provided by Act 2012-256, except that the time period shall only be as specified in Section 1 above and not for all years thereafter.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this ordinance under the seal of the City of Cullman, Alabama, and to forward said certified copy to the Alabama Department of Revenue to be recorded and posted on the Department website.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council and approval by the Mayor.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 7th day of December, 2020.

/s/Jenny Folsom, City Council President

ATTEST:

/s/Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR, this the 7th day of December, 2020.

/s/Woody Jacobs, Mayor

Council Member Hollingsworth seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a roll vote. Mr. Wesley Moore polled the Council Members: Council Member Page: Aye. Council President Pro Tem Johnny Cook: Aye. Council President Folsom: Aye. Council Member Moss: Aye.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Woody Jacobs reappointed Tommy Waldrop to the City of Cullman Alcohol Review Committee.

Council President Folsom asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Page made the motion to adjourn. Council Member Hollingsworth seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m. by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.