

**CULLMAN CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FRIDAY, JULY 7, 2023, AT 12:00 P.M.  
IN THE LUCILLE N. GALIN AUDITORIUM**

Council President Jenny Folsom called the Cullman City Council Meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. on Monday, July 7, 2023. Fire Chief Brian Bradberry led the Pledge of Allegiance and presented the invocation.

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

Council President Jenny Folsom asked the Council to consider the minutes from June 26, 2023. Council President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to suspend the rules to consider the minutes. Council Member Moss 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 President Pro Tem Cook, Council President Folsom: Aye. Council Member Moss: Aye. Council Member Brad Smith: Aye. Council Member Hollingsworth: Aye. Council President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to approve the minutes from June 26, 2023, as written. Council Member Smith 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 President Pro Tem Cook: Aye. Council President Folsom: Aye. Council Member Moss: Aye. Council Member Brad Smith: Aye. Council Member Hollingsworth: Aye.

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA** – None.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

1. Public Safety (Fire, Police, etc.) – Chairman Brad Smith - No report.
2. Utilities (Water, Sewer, etc.) - Chairman David Moss - No report.
3. Public Works (Street, Sanitation, etc.) - Chairman Johnny Cook.
4. Tourism (Parks & Recreation, Airport, etc.) Chairman Clint Hollingsworth - No report.
5. General Government (Finance, Economic Development, etc.) - Chairwoman Jenny Folsom - No report.

**REPORT FROM THE MAYOR** - No report

**COMMENTS FROM ANYONE NOT ON THE AGENDA** - None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Council President Folsom opened the public hearing at 12:09 p.m. for Ordinance No. 2023-26 to rezone the Nearen Property located on Highway 278W from E-1 Entertainment District to B-3 Business District which received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission. James Nearen, 5055 Bayou Drive, Orange Beach, spoke in favor of the rezoning. With no one else wishing to speak regarding the rezoning, Council President Folsom closed the public hearing at 12:10 p.m.

Council President Folsom opened the public hearing at 12:10 p.m. for Ordinance No. 2023-27 to rezone the Ergle Property located on Beech Avenue SE from M-1 Manufacturing District to B-2 Business District which received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission. With no one wishing to speak regarding the rezoning, Council President Folsom closed the public hearing at 12:11 p.m.

Council President Folsom set a public hearing on August 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. for Ordinance No. 2023-29 to amend, modify or delete portions of the City of Cullman Zoning ordinance, which received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission.

**REQUESTS, PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, COMPLAINTS** - None.

Council President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to approve a special event request from Jim Miller of St. Bernard, for the annual Bernard Blues and BBQ festival held on September 9-10, 2023. 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 a special event request from Karen Speegle of Seventh Street Baptist Church for a Fall Fest on October 29, 2023. Council Member Moss seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

Council Member Hollingsworth made a motion to approve a special event request from Jackie Cook of Finders Keepers for a street sale on 1st Ave SW on July 14, 2023, from 3:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. Council Member Moss seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

**RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS**

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

**CITY OF CULLMAN**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-52**

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama Community Development Block Grant Program has been established to assist local governments in meeting community development and housing needs consistent with the objectives as set forth in Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, City of Cullman, acting by and through its City Council proposes to apply for Community Development Block Grant Funds to implement a Neighborhood Improvement Project on Logan Street SW.

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

**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 2023 Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of **\$500,000.00** to implement a Neighborhood Improvement Project on Logan Street.

**THAT, THE CITY OF CULLMAN** will provide a local match of **\$500,000.00** in support of this project, of which **\$100,000.00** will be provided in the form of local cash and the city will provide an estimated **\$400,000.00** of in-kind services which will consist of the utilization of city forces and equipment to construct the water, sewer, drainage, and street improvements included as part of this project.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the Cullman City Council, on this the 7th day of July 2023.

**SIGNED FOR THE CULLMAN CITY COUNCIL:**

/s/Mayor Woody Jacobs

ATTEST:

/s/ Wesley 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 Jenny Folsom held the first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-26 to rezone the Nearen Property located on Highway 278W from E-1 Entertainment District to B-3 Business District which received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission.

Council President Jenny Folsom held the first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-27 to rezone the Ergle Property located on Beech Avenue SE from M-1 Manufacturing District to B-2 Business District which received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission.

Council President Jenny Folsom held the first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-28 to annex the 1804 Lake David Drive NW as R-1 District, which received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission. Council President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to suspend the rules. Council Member Hollingsworth seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a roll call vote. Mr. Wesley Moore polled the Council Members: Council President Pro Tem Johnny Cook: Aye. Council President Folsom: Aye. Council Member Moss: Aye. Council Member Smith: Aye. Council Member Hollingsworth: Aye. Council President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-28.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023 – 28**

**TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTIES INTO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA**

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

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Cullman finds that the following property owner, Pamela Cason, has petitioned the City under the provisions of Section 11-42-21 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, that the following described property, owned by the petitioners, be annexed into the City of Cullman:

PPIN: 20813. Parcel No. 17-03-05-4-012-035.000. Property Address: 1804 Lake David Drive NW, Cullman, Alabama.  
Legal Description: Lot 1 of the re-division of Lots 3, 4, & 5 of the Second Addition to Ragsdale Subdivision (Map Book 5, Page 197 (Slide A305)) as recorded in Plat Book 2022, Page 33 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.  
Source of title: Deed Book 715, Page 272

SECTION 2. That the Council has before it a map showing the relationship of the property proposed to be annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Cullman, and that said map is on file in the office of the City Clerk along with an acknowledgment by the property owners that they want it to be annexed into the City of Cullman.

SECTION 3. That the City of Cullman does hereby annex as a part of its corporate limits the above described tracts or parcels of land as R-1 Residential District.

SECTION 4. That a copy of this ordinance after its adoption, which ordinance includes a description of the property annexed to the City of Cullman, be filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the county in which the municipality is located.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 7th day of July, 2023.

/s/ Jenny Folsom, President of the City Council

ATTEST:

/s/ Wesley Moore, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 7th day of July, 2023.

/s/Mayor Woody Jacobs

Council Member Hollingsworth 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 Cook: Absent. Council President Folsom: Aye. Council Member Moss: Aye. Council Member Smith: Aye. Council Member Hollingsworth: Aye.

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS** - None.

Council President Folsom asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Smith made the motion to adjourn. Council Member Hollingsworth seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m. by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.