

**CULLMAN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023, AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE LUCILLE N. GALIN AUDITORIUM**

Council President Jenny Folsom called the Cullman City Council Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. on Monday, November 13, 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 and City Clerk Wesley Moore. Absent was City Attorney Roy Williams.

Council President Jenny Folsom asked the Council to consider the minutes from October 30, 2023. Council President Pro Tem Cook made a motion to suspend the rules to consider the minutes. Council Member Smith 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: Aye, 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 October 30, 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 – No report.
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

Mayor Jacobs gave a report to the council regarding the city's operations.

COMMENTS FROM ANYONE NOT ON THE AGENDA

Melvin Hastings, 2775 County Road 703, announced his candidacy for Circuit Judge in the upcoming election.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Council President Folsom set a public hearing on December 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. for Ordinance No. 2024-04 to rezone property located at 1510 Logan Road SW from R-3 to R-4 residential district which received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission.

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

Council Member Hollingsworth made a motion to approve a special event request from Bill McCartney to hold the Santa Paws Parade from Grace Episcopal Church through the Warehouse District on Saturday, December 9, 2023, from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Council Member Moss 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 a special event request from Special Events Director Kelly Pulliam to hold the Christkindlmarkt in Depot Park from Thursday, November 24, 2023, through Sunday, December 23, 2023. 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 a special event request from Special Events Director Kelly Pulliam to hold the Christmas Parade at 6:00 p.m. and Tree Lighting Ceremony at 7:30 p.m. in Depot Park on Friday, December 1, 2023. 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. 2024 – 09**

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman has received a TAP Streetscape Improvement Project (TAPAA-TA24(902)) from the Alabama Department of Transportation to construct streetscape improvements on 4th Avenue SW from US Highway 278 to 4th Street SW and on 4th Street SW from 4th Avenue SW to 5TH Avenue SW in downtown Cullman.

THEREFORE, in accordance with ALDOT's regulations the City of Cullman is authorized to enter a contract with a professional engineering firm to provide all engineering design related services for the above referenced project.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Cullman City Council has selected St. John and Associates to provide all engineering design related services and to develop the plans and specifications for the above referenced project; and

THAT, Woody Jacobs, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to enter a contract with St. John and Associates to provide all engineering design services for the project.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 13th day of November 2023.

Signed for the Cullman City Council:

By: /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 Member Hollingsworth made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

**CITY OF CULLMAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 10**

WHEREAS, City of Cullman is proposing to apply to ADECA for Land and Water Conservation Fund grant assistance to implement a Lions Club Park Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman intends to make application to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs for LWCF funding assistance to construct improvements to Lions Club Park; and

WHEREAS, said LWCF program is limited to funding a maximum of \$500,000 of the proposed project construction cost estimated at \$1,000,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the City of Cullman will commit to provide \$500,000 in local matching funds in the form of cash and in-kind services, as well all cost associated with engineering design and administrative services for the purpose of implementing the City’s Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event the grant is awarded, the City of Cullman understands that it will sign assurance to comply with all applicable Federal and State Law, rules and regulations.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City of Council of Cullman, Alabama on this the 13th day of November 2023.

SIGNED FOR THE CITY OF CULLMAN:

/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.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Council Member Smith made a motion to reappoint Jan Barnett and Barry Slatton to the Tree Commission Board. 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 reappoint Josh Wiggins to the Tourism Bureau Board. Council Member Moss seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: 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 7:14 p.m. by a voice vote. Ayes: All. Nays: None.