Montevallo City Council Work Session April 28, 2025 5:30 p.m. at City Hall Montevallo City Council Meeting April 28, 2025 6:00 p.m. at City Hall

**Pledge of Allegiance** 

Meeting Call to Order

Approval and/or Corrections of the Minutes: 04.14.25

**Recognitions / Awards:** 

#### **Opportunities for Citizens to Speak to the Council :**

#### **Committee Reports and Consideration of Bills:**

- Public Health & Safety (Police, Fire, Code Enforcement, Housing Abatement and Planning & Zoning). David King- Chair
- <u>Sustainability</u> (Streets & Sanitation, Recycling, Arbor & Beautification, ValloCycle, Environmental Preservation Initiatives, and Historical Commission) – Kenny Dukes- Chair
- <u>Recreation, Preservation and Community Development</u> (Parks & Recreation, Youth Athletics, Trails, Annexations)
   Martha Eisenberg- Chair
- <u>Education, Arts & Outreach</u> (Schools, UM, Boys & Girls Club, Library, American Village, Sister City Commission, Art Walk, IMPACT) MJCC - Lelia Mitchell- Chair
- Finance, Economic Development & Tourism (Finance, MDCD, IDB, Chamber, Main Street) Sonya Swords- Chair

#### **Consent Agenda: Payment of Bills**

New Business:

- Resolution No. 04242025-237 A Resolution Authorizing the Investment of City Reserve Funds in Certificates of Deposit
- Consideration of New Designs for Branding City Vehicles, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, City Hall
- Request to reschedule 2nd monthly Council meeting May from May 26<sup>th</sup> to May 27<sup>th</sup> due to Memorial Day Holiday observation

Old Business: None

**Board Appointments: None** 

**Other Business: None** 

**Citizen Participation:** 

Adjourn

## MINUTES

Montevallo City Council Work Session April 28, 2025 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Present: Mayor Rusty Nix, Council Member David King, Council Member Kenneth Dukes, Council Member Sonya Swords, Council Member Martha Eisenberg; Absent: Council Member Lelia Mitchell. Quorum present.

Work Session Called to Order at 5:30 P.M. by Mayor Nix with Quorum present.

Discussion of New Business Items:

- Resolution No. 04242025-237 A Resolution Authorizing the Investment of City Reserve Funds in Certificates of Deposit
- Consideration of New Designs for Branding City Vehicles, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, City Hall
- Request to reschedule 2nd monthly Council meeting May from May 26<sup>th</sup> to May 27<sup>th</sup> due to Memorial Day Holiday observation

# Mayor Nix Called for Committee Reports:

Mayor Nix called on Council Member King for Public Health and Safety Reports. Council Member King called on Chief Littleton for the Police Department Report. Chief Littleton reported there were 89 Total Reports for the month of April. See Appendix 1.

Council Member King called on Chief Davis for the Fire Department report. Chief Davis reported there were 60 Calls for the first half of April. See Appendix 2.

Council Member David King reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and it is a Public Hearing and is open to the public.

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Dukes for the Sustainability Reports. Council Member Dukes called on Kirk Hamby, Head of Public Works. Kirk reported the draining issue on Jones Rd has been addressed; stage renovation will begin soon in Orr Park; Farm Day is this Saturday, 10 am – 4 pm in Orr Park.

Council Member Dukes reported Historical Commission will host an event on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. for the Marker Installations at Epsibeth Church, Little School House, and a reception held after at the library.

Mayor Nix called for Recreation, Preservation and Community Development. Council Member Eisenberg read a report from Sydney Aguilar, Director Youth Sports: We still have undefeated soccer and softball teams; cheer and football registration is about to open up; this weekend we are hosting a softball travel ball benefit for Audrey Howard. See Appendix 3.

Council Member Eisenberg asked about the park maintenance at Stephens Park and what types of fish are in the pond. She also asked about the paving at Stephens Park walking track which is scheduled for May.

Mayor Nix advised Council Member Mitchell had a conflict and could not be in attendance. He gave reports for Education, Arts, and Outreach. Mayor Nix called on Sarah Hogan, program director Impact Montevallo. Sarah reported that the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Spring Fling was held Saturday and thanked everyone that came out in support; she attended the inaugural Prevention Day at the State Capitol last week.

*Montevallo City Council Meeting* April 28, 2025 6:00 P.M. at City Hall

Present: Mayor Rusty Nix, Council Member David King, Council Member Kenneth Dukes, Council Member Sonya Swords, Council Member Martha Eisenberg; Absent: Council Member Lelia Mitchell. Quorum present.

# Pledge of Allegiance

Council Meeting was called to order at 6 P.M. by Mayor Rusty Nix.

**Approval and or corrections of the Minutes** 4.14.25 – Motion by Council Member King, Seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes, Motion passed.

# Recognitions/Awards: None

**Opportunities for Citizens to speak to the Council**: Kathy King asked if there was an entity that is planning the Juneteenth Celebration and was advised the Park and Recreation Department is doing so.

# Mayor Nix called for Committee Reports to Continue:

Mayor Nix called on Sarah Hogan, program director, and she reported tomorrow is the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Fentanyl Awareness Day; Sarah gave an up on updates on legislation in the Alabama Senate Committee on House Bill 8 (Vaping Bill) and House Bill 529 (proposal on a ten cents per milliliter vaping – tax bill), and there is a Senate Bill (SB273) that has been introduced by Senator April Weaver to make THC/ CBD (non-psychoactive) subject to the same regulations as Schedule I and II drugs; requiring regulation and safety testing of the vaping products being sold essentially making any psychoactive element illegal – there is currently no way to test any of these products; she will be attending the Alabama Substance Abuse Youth Summit next week; Camp Journey will be held in June. See Appendix 4.

Mayor Nix called on Mary Elizabeth House, Montevallo Junior City Council (MJCC) Junior Mayor: Mary Elizabeth advised they assisted Sydney Aguilar at City Hall with the Leaders of Tomorrow (LOT); they have been updating the website with their current members; the MJCC is seeking new members; the MJCC and the MHS broadcast team collaborated to make a video about not drinking and driving and it's on the MHS page; she reported Awards Day is Thursday; she gave updates on several students and their achievements.

Mayor Nix added the Leadership of Tomorrow held their mock City Council meeting and they did a great job.

Mayor Nix reported he had the privilege to attend an event last Thursday put on by Survivor's Rock, Ms. Lillie Pierson at the library and the program was about self-defense and human trafficking. Tim Alexander taught the self-defense portion of the program. It was an informative program and Mayor Nix encouraged everyone to check out Survivor's Rock and all the positive things they are doing.

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Swords for Finance, Economic Development & Tourism. Council Member Swords called on Adele Nelson, Executive Director, Montevallo Chamber of Commerce for the Chamber report. Adele reported the May Chamber Chatter was delivered Friday; Saturday Walking Tours will conclude this Saturday and they've been a success; 2025 Chamber Golf Tournament was a huge success; Montevallo Chamber is co-hosting the Shelby County Tourism & Recreation All Star Awards; Onions will be available for pick-up May 8<sup>th</sup>; Montevallo Chamber is co-hosting the Small Business Awards; Chamber is sponsoring the Team Lehman Disc Golf Tourney benefiting Shelby Emergency Assistance; Montevallo Community Awards to be held June 26<sup>th</sup>. See Appendix 5.

Council Member Swords advised Courtney Bennett, Montevallo Main Street had a conflict and could not attend the meeting. She read the written report that was submitted: Xcaret Grill Mexican Restaurant opened last week; 4<sup>th</sup> annual Spring Fling Family Food Truck was held last Saturday and was a success; Thursday we are hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual KASH Market information session for 31 youth; May's Business Basics class at the City Annex is "Analytics 101" at 8:00 AM; today was the deadline for Shelby County Small Business of the Year nominations. See Appendix 6.

Council Member Swords reported the Finance Committee met the last Wednesday of the month.

Public Health & Safety (Police, Fire, Code Enforcement, Housing Abatement, Planning and Zoning) -Reported during Work Session.

**Sustainability** (Streets & Sanitation, Recycling, Arbor & Beautification, ValloCycle, Environmental Preservation Initiatives, and Historical Commission) - Reported during Work Session.

**Recreation, Preservation and Community Development** (Parks & Recreation, Youth Athletics, Trails, Annexations) – Reported during Work Session.

**Education, Arts & Outreach** (Schools, Library, UM, Boys & Girls Club, American Village, Sister City Commission, Artwalk, IMPACT) - Reported during Work Session and City Council Meeting.

**Finance, Economic Development & Tourism** (Finance, MDCD, IDB, Chamber, Main Street) - Reported during Work Session and City Council Meeting.

**Consent to Pay the Bills:** Mayor Nix asked for a Motion to Pay the Bills. Council Member Dukes made a motion to pay the bills, Seconded by Council Member Eisenberg, All Ayes. Motion passed.

# **New Business:**

- Resolution No. 04242025-237 A Resolution Authorizing the Investment of City Reserve Funds in Certificates of Deposit. Motion made by Council Member Dukes, Seconded by Council Member Eisenberg, All Ayes, Motion Passed. See Appendix 7.
- **Consideration of New Designs** for Branding City Vehicles, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, City Hall. Tabled until next Council meeting. Appendix 8.
- Request to reschedule 2nd monthly Council meeting May from May 26<sup>th</sup> to May 27<sup>th</sup> due to Memorial Day Holiday observation. Motion made by Council Member King, Seconded by Council Member Eisenberg, All Ayes, Motion Passed.

Old Business: None

Board Appointments: None

Other Business: None

Citizen Participation: None

**Adjourn**: Mayor Nix called for a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Council Member Eisenberg, Seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:19 P.M.

Submitted by:

Steve Gilbert City Clerk / Treasurer

Total Reports         78         86           Criminal Cases         55         70           Criminal Cases         55         70           Non-Criminal         33         16           Traffic Accidents         17         9           Traffic Accidents         177         9           Traffic Citations         147         122           DUI Arrests         10         5           Public Intox Arr         0         2           Alias Arrests         1         1           Juvenile Arrests         1         1           Misc Arrests         0         4           Duvenile Arrests         1         38           Felony Arrests         0         4           Drug Related         2         7           Drug Related         2         38           Auto Thefts         0         0         38	<b>86</b> 70 16 9 9 1 1 1 1 1 1 7 7 7 7 7 7 0 7 7 0 7 0 7 0	<b>90</b> 7 7 20 129 129 6 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	<b>89</b> 59 9 75 75 75 75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	343
55       33       33       17       17       147       10       10       11       2       11       12       13       147       10       11       11       12       13       147       147       147       147       147       147       147       148       149       149       149	70 9 9 11222 2 1111 111 1117 7	7 5 129 13 13 13 13 0 6 0	59 30 9 9 33									
33 17 147 100 10 2 1 1 1 19 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	16 9 122 5 5 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 7 7	20 5 1 13 6 0 6 0 7	30 9 75 3 3									191
17 147 10 10 10 12 2 2 19 2 2 19 10 0 0 0 0 0	9 5 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 7	5 129 6 0 5 1 13	9 75 9 3									66
147 10 2 2 4 4 19 19 0 0 0 0 0	7 7 122	129 5 1 13 6 0 0	75 9 3									40
10 2 + 4 0 19 19 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	7		6 ღ									473
0 19 2 1 2 0 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	2 11 1 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	، م o م -	e									37
2 + 4 0 2 0 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	11 14 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	0 0 2										9
1 4 0 2 0 1 0	1 8 4 7	0 9	8									26
4 4 19 2 0 0 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	8 4 7	9 0	0									2
0 19 20	4 7		6									24
2 19 0	7	0	3									13
0		11	7									27
0	38	42	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	135
	0	1	0									
Burglaries 1 0	0	2	1									
Auto Recoveries 0 0	0	0	0									
Auto Burglaries 1 0	0	0	2									
Criminal Mischief 1 2	2	4	1									
DV. Related 4 2	2	-	-									
Assaults 1 2	2	۲	۲									
Fraud/Forgery 1 0	0	÷	0									
Harass / Reck 2 2 2	2	2	З									
Misc. Offenses 20 27	27	26	31									
Robberies 0 0	0	0	0									
Sex Crimes/Other 0 0	0	0	-									
Thefts / Attempts 6 2	2	4	-									
Suicide / Attempts 0 0	0	0	0									
Deaths 0 1	1	0	٢									

# Fire Report 4.28.25

April 1st - April 15th 2025

EMS- 42

Lift assist- 6

Structure Fire- 2

Brush Fire- 0

Dumpster Fire- 0

Electrical Fire - 1

Vehicle Fire- 0

Appliance Fire- 0

Fire Alarm - 1

MVC-6

Fuel Spill/ gas leak- 0

Assist other agency- 2

Assist Public- 0

Assist Law Enforcement- 0

Total Calls for the first half of

April- 60

Brad Davis Fire Chief City of Montevallo Montevallo Fire & Rescue Service 541 Main Street Montevallo, AL 35115 Office- 205-666-2555. Ext. 705

# Youth Athletics – Sydney Aguilar City Council 4/28/25

- We still have undefeated soccer and softball teams
- Cheer and football registration is about to open up.
- This weekend we are hosting a softball travel ball benefit for Audrey Howard



# City Council Meeting: April 28, 2025

Ms. Sarah Hogan, program director provided the following report:

- SPRING FLING: Thank you to everyone who came out to the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Fling. We enjoyed watching families enjoying our beautiful community together.
- PREVENTION DAY @ THE CAPITOL: Last week, I attended the inaugural Prevention Day at the State Capitol with other colleagues from around the State. We were inspired by leaders in the field, hearing success stories from adults and youth. One of the best quotes from the day was prevention is hard to see, because our best work happens when nothing happens. We hope to deter behavior, so we hope you see nothing. And our efforts across the State are critical and needed. Prevention is a team effort - it takes the entire community. I had the pleasure to sit in on the Senate Committee to hear Representative Drummund present House Bill 8, the Vaping Bill, that she has been working on for about 3 years. It passed and is one step closer to becoming law. This law will mandate consequences for violations of sales and use. Another Vaping Bill has been introduced this legislative session; a vaping tax bill, with House Bill 529 (HB529) proposing a tax of ten cents per milliliter on consumable vapor products, effective October 1, 2026. The bill aims to address the prevalence of illegal vape products and generate revenue, with proceeds distributed to the state general fund, counties, and municipalities. Also, Those of us in the area of Prevention have expressed serious concerns about the THC products being sold in gas stations and vape stores in Alabama. These products are harmful, intoxicating, discreet, and readily available to our youth. Senator April Weaver has introduced a bill (SB273)to make these products subject to the same regulations as Schedule I and II drugs. Essentially, it requires the regulation and safety testing of CBD (non-psychoactive) and makes any psychoactive element illegal. Thank you to our Alabama legislators for listening and working to help our youth.

Promote on Social media

**FENTAYNAL AWARNESS DAY:** Tuesday, April<sup>1</sup>29<sup>th</sup> marks the fourth annual National Fentanyl Awareness Day. The observance was founded by parents who have lost loved ones to the drug overdose crisis. The aim of the observance is to raise awareness about the alarming number of deaths caused by illegally made fentanyl, a dangerous synthetic opioid. Fentanyl is a major contributor to drug overdose deaths in the U.S. Even in small doses, it can be deadly. More information about the dangers of this substance will be released on our social media tomorrow. Good news, what we are doing in prevention is working - new preliminary CDC data estimate a **26.5% decline in overdose deaths in the U.S.** in the 12 months ending in November 2024, compared to the same time frame of the previous year.

ALABAMA SUBSTANCE ABUSE YOUTH SUMMIT: Next week, I will be attending the annual Alabama Substance Abuse Youth Summit in Montgomery that is hosted by the Alabama ABC Board. I look forward to bringing back even more information to help our community combat youth substance use.

CAMP JOURNEY: This year's Camp Journey for rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be held June 23 – 26 at Montevallo Middle School. Applications open tomorrow. Our SROS will be presenting to our 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes and information will be available on our social media. Please share, we receive great feedback from the youth that attend each year. The camp is free and open to Montevallo and surrounding communities.

## 04/28/2025 Chamber/Council Report

1) May Chamber Chatter was delivered Friday April 25th

2) The 3rd annual **Montevallo Community Grant** was awarded to MMS *Leaders of Tomorrow* by the Montevallo Chamber Board.

3) 2025 **Saturday Walking Tours in Alabama Montevallo** was hosted by Montevallo Chamber. A total of 35 attendees and thanks to the featured samplers - Ice Cream Shop, Meri Moon and Indigo. Chamber will be back to partner with the AL State Tourism for 2026!!

4) **2025 Montevallo Chamber Golf Tournament** to benefit the Mary Lou Williams Scholarship Fund was a success with great weather and a huge community turnout!

5) Co-host 2025 **Shelby County Tourism & Recreation All Star Awards** Luncheon / Thurs. May 8th / Grande Hall at Old Mill Square, Columbiana / \$25.00 each RSVP by May 6th

6) **2025 Montevallo Onion Sale** "tentative" curbside pick-up date of May 8th, 3-6pm at the Montevallo Recycling Center : All pre-orders will be notified

7) Co-host 2025 **Shelby County Small Business Awards** Luncheon / Wed May 21 / Pelham Civic Complex / \$20.00 each RSVP by May 16th (Due to the Shelby County Small Business Awards luncheon date, the Montevallo Chamber will not host a luncheon in May )

8) Montevallo Chamber will be sponsoring the **Team Lehman Shelby Emergency Assistance Disc Golf Tournament /** Sat. May 31st / UM Disc Golf Course

9) **Montevallo Community Awards /** Thursday June 26 / 6-8pm / UM Student Retreat / Tickets \$25.00 each and will be available from Regions, Trustmark or Chamber



Adele Nelson Executive Director Montevallo Chamber of Commerce P.O. Box 270 Montevallo, AL 35115 205.665.1519 office www.montevallocc.com



# Report to City Council April 28, 2025

# **Business Developments:**

• Xcaret Grill Mexican Restaurant opened last Thursday, April 24, at 1032 Main Street.

# **Special Events**

Due to inclement weather, we unfortunately had to cancel Friday Nights at the Cove last week. Mark your calendars for our next concert on May 30. Everyone knows that Twelve is one of the best party bands in Central Alabama! Experience "A Fraction of Twelve," a special acoustic set highlighting their vocalist and guitarist. Sponsored by Alabama Custom Trailer & RV.

Last Saturday, we hosted our 4th Annual Spring Fling Family Food Truck Fest in the Orr Park Pecan Grove alongside our presenting partners Impact Montevallo and DRUM the Program. Thanks again to all the visitors, volunteers, and vendors who made it happen!

This Thursday, May 1, we are hosting our second annual KASH Market information session and 1-hour business course for young entrepreneurs aged 5-18. We currently have 31 registrants and closed registration last Friday. This program is sponsored by Alabama Public Television, Montevallo Main Street, Parnell Memorial Library, Impact Montevallo, and Montevallo Chamber of Commerce. Special thanks to local business owner and Economic Vitality Committee member Maggie Hall for her leadership in this project.

# **Business Opportunities**

- Registration is open for May's Business Basics class at the City Annex, which will be led by Dr. Milad Jasemi-Zarganion about "Analytics 101" at 8 AM. Contact Main Street or Montevallo Chamber for more information.
- Today was the deadline for nominations for Shelby County Small Business of the Year. Nominees
  and recipients will be recognized at a luncheon on May 21 at the Pelham Civic Complex and Ice
  Arena.

Courtney Bennett, Executive Director



# Resolution No. 04242025-237

# A Resolution Authorizing the Investment of City Reserve Funds in Certificates of Deposit

**WHEREAS**, the City of Montevallo has Reserve Funds for Capital Improvements and Equipment Purchases; and,

WHEREAS, the City desires to maximize these funds for Capital Improvements and purchases for the public good.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEVALLO, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Council hereby authorizes the Investment of Reserve Funds for Capital Improvements and Equipment Purchases as follows:

• City Reserve Funds from the Sanitation Account in the Amount of \$300,000 and City Reserve Funds in the amount of \$200,000 from the Fire and Rescue Account in Certificates of Deposit for a term of 6 months at Trustmark National Bank @4.0%

• City Reserve Funds currently in a Certificate of Deposit with City Reserve Funds in a Money Market Account at Central State Bank in an amount totaling \$160,745.92 for a term of 1 year @ 4.0 %.

• City Reserve Capital Funds in the amount of \$250,000 in a certificate of Deposit at Trustmark National Bank for a term of 6 months @ 4.0%

• City Funds from the Mahler Estate Account in the amount of \$200,000 in a certificate of Deposit at Central State Bank for a term of 9 months @ 4.25%

# ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 28th DAY OF April, 2022.

**Rusty Nix, Mayor** 

ATTEST:\_\_\_\_\_

Steve Gilbert, City Clerk

# C ecreatio X arks )









