

## MINUTES

### **Montevallo City Council Work Session**

**May 27, 2025**

**5:30 p.m. at City Hall**

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

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

**Presentation of Audit by Walker J. Gann, CPA with Dent, Moses, LLC for the 2022 – 2023 FY (John Davis - Dent, Moses, LLC in attendance).**

#### **Discussion of New Business:**

- Discussion of Request to accept Bid from Active Air for replacement of 3 - A/C Units on Parnell Library in the amount of \$79,873.00 funds from Regions Reserve Capital Account.

#### **Old Business:**

- **Ordinance 05122025-353** An ordinance setting the Qualification fee for City Council \$50.00 and the Office of the Mayor \$50.00 for Municipal Election, August 26, 2025 or Runoff Election September 23, 2025. *FIRST READING - NO VOTE*
- **Ordinance 05272025987** An Ordinance to Convey Municipal Property not needed for Public or Municipal Purposes to the Montevallo Water and Sewer Board. *FIRST READING - NO VOTE*

#### **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 48 Reports for April and 401 Total Cases for the Year. See Appendix 1.

Council Member King called on Chief Davis for the Fire Department report. Chief Davis reported all is same as usual. There was no written report submitted.

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Dukes for the Sustainability Reports. Council Member Dukes called on Kirk Hamby, Head of Public Works. Kirk reported Cemetery work is going well and much improved and the grounds are in better condition; tree down from the rain has been cleared.

Council Member Dukes reported there will be an Historic Preservation Commission Meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 PM at the Library. They are planning the Juneteenth Celebration on June 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM – 1 PM at George Dailey Park and Marker Dedications at the event; Arbor Board Meeting June 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at the Parnell Memorial Library.

Mayor Nix called for Recreation, Preservation and Community Development. Sydney Aguilar, Director Youth Sports: Football and Cheer is now open online and the next in person registration date is 5/29 at City Hall from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. The 10U Parker softball team went undefeated this season and won

the end of the season tournament; we have one softball and one baseball team ready for all stars. See Appendix 2.

***Montevallo City Council Meeting***

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**6:00 p.m. at City Hall**

**Present: Mayor Rusty Nix, Council Member David King, Council Member Lelia Mitchell, Council Member Kenneth Dukes, Council Member Sonya Swords; Absent: Council Member Martha Eisenberg. 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 5.27.25** – Motion by Council Member Dukes, Seconded by Council Member King: Ayes 4; Oppose 1 - Council Member Mitchell; Motion passed.

**Recognitions/Awards:** None

**Opportunities for Citizens to speak to the Council:** None

**Mayor Nix called for Committee Reports to Continue:**

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Mitchell for the Education, Arts & Outreach Reports. Council Member Mitchell called on Sarah Hogan Shaw, Program Director Impact Montevallo. Sarah reported she received notice from the CDC that the Trump Administration released its “skinny budget” for fiscal year (FY) 2026. The Administration’s budget proposal seeks to cut over \$1 billion from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) and over \$3.5 billion from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). They are awaiting details. She would like the Council to consider any offset when determining budget. Impact receives \$125,000 annually from the grant program; she will keep Mayor and Council apprised as she learns more; Camp Journey for rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be held June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> at Montevallo Middle School and is the largest with 30+ registered attendees; Safe Schools Conference; Sarah and the three SROs will be attending the conference next week. See Appendix 3.

Council Member Mitchell called on Mary Elizabeth House, Montevallo Junior City Council (MJCC) Junior Mayor for the MJCC Report: Mary Elizabeth reported MJCC is seeking three new members; graduation services are completed; MHS has multiple athletic camps for youth to participate in – basketball, volleyball and more; the construction has started for the additional classrooms; MJCC held their last scheduled meeting for the year last week; they held elections and she was voted in as Junior Mayor again for next year; for the Youth Report, Soccer tryouts are this week; graduation is next week; this week is the senior athletic banquet; and Volleyball tryout will be held next week.

Council Member Mitchell reported there are numerous programs available at the Parnell Memorial Library for youth and adults to participate and encouraged everyone to visit and pick up flyers and the calendar; Memorial Day Celebrations were held on Monday at the American Village and at the Alabama National Cemetery and they did a great job.



Mayor Nix called on Council Member Swords for Finance, Economic Development & Tourism. Council Member Swords called on Courtney Bennett, Director Montevallo Main Street. Courtney congratulated Meri Moon for earning the New Business category at the Shelby County Small Business of the Year which was co-hosted by the Shelby and Montevallo Chambers of Commerce; there were several businesses that were nominated from Montevallo which was exciting; registration is open for June's Business Basics Class; applications are open for the Fall CO.STARTERS classes; she reported the following event, Friday Nights at the Cove is happening this week; Courtney reported the Façade Grant Program is open; Main Street is assisting and participating in the planning and participation of the Juneteenth Celebration. See Appendix 4.

Council Member Swords called on Adele Nelson, Executive Director, Montevallo Chamber of Commerce for the Chamber report. Adele reported the Montevallo and Shelby Chamber co-hosted the Small Business Awards program and it was the best with a Montevallo table, three Montevallo business nominees, and Meri Moon receiving the New Business Award; June Chamber Chatter will be distributed this Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>; the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Montevallo Farmers' Market will start Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> and reported for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row was the winner of the Shelby Living "Best of the Best" Farmers' Market; Xcaret Mexican Grill Restaurant Ribbon Cutting is Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>; the Chamber is sponsoring Team Lehman Shelby Emergency Assistance Disc Golf Tournament; she reported the Montevallo Community Awards will be held on Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> (new date) from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM at the UM Student Retreat, tickets are \$25 each. See Appendix 5.

**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 City Council Meeting.

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

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

**New Business:**

- **Request to accept Bid from Active Air** for replacement of 3 - A/C Units on Parnell Library in the Amount of \$79,873.00 funds from Regions Reserve Capital Account. Motion made by Council Member King, Seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes, Motion Passed. See Appendix 6.

**Old Business:**

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- **Ordinance 05272025987** An Ordinance to Convey Municipal Property not needed for Public or Municipal Purposes to the Montevallo Water and Sewer Board. Motion made by Council Member King, Seconded by Council Member Mitchell, All Ayes, Motion Passed. See Appendix 8.

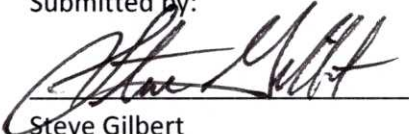
**Board Appointments:** None

**Other Business:** None

**Citizen Participation:** None

**Adjourn:** Mayor Nix called for a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Council Member King, Seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Gilbert", written over a horizontal line.

Steve Gilbert  
City Clerk / Treasurer

# APPENDIX 1

	January-25	February-25	March-25	April-25	May-25	June-25	July-25	August-25	September-25	October-25	November-25	December-25	Total
<b>Total Reports</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>401</b>
Criminal Cases	55	70	7	68	37								237
Non-Criminal	33	16	20	31	11								111
Traffic Accidents	17	9	5	310	6								347
Traffic Citations	147	122	129	160	84								642
DUI Arrests	10	5	13	9	5								42
Public Intox Arr	0	2	1	3	1								7
Alias Arrests	2	11	5	11	6								35
Juvenile Arrests	1	1	0	0	0								2
Misd Arrests	4	8	6	6	2								26
Felony Arrests	0	4	6	3	2								15
Drug Related	2	7	11	10	4								34
<b>Total Arrest</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>161</b>
Auto Thefts	0	0	1	0	0								
Burglaries	1	0	2	1	0								
Auto Recoveries	0	0	0	0	0								
Auto Burglaries	1	0	0	2	0								
Criminal Mischief	1	2	4	1	1								
DV. Related	4	2	1	1	2								
Assaults	1	2	1	1	0								
Fraud/Forgery	1	0	1	0	0								
Harass / Reck	2	2	2	3	1								
Misc. Offenses	20	27	26	33	13								
Robberies	0	0	0	0	1								
Sex Crimes/Other	0	0	0	1	0								
Thefts / Attempts	6	2	4	1	2								
Suicide / Attempts	0	0	0	0	0								
Deaths	0	1	0	1	0								




**Youth Athletics – Sydney Aguilar City Council 5/27/25**

- Our 10U softball team went undefeated this season and won the end of the season tournament.
- We have one softball and one baseball team ready for all stars.
- We have started in-person Cheer and Football registration. The next date is Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 7:00.



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

-  **FINANCIAL OUTLOOK:** I received notice from the CDC that the Trump Administration released its “skinny budget” for fiscal year (FY) 2026 earlier this month. The “skinny budget,” poses steep cuts to nondefense spending, including proposals to cut funding for substance use prevention programs. The Administration’s budget proposal seeks to cut over \$1 billion from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and over \$3.5 billion from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Of course, we are awaiting additional details of this budget. Therefore, at this month’s Coalition meeting, we discussed the need to fundraise to help ensure that we will continue to do this important work in the community. For the Council, I would ask that you consider allocating funds to Impact in next year’s budget to offset any changes to our grant funding. I know work will begin this summer on the city’s budget for the fiscal year beginning in October. I just wanted to keep the Council apprised as I become aware.
-  **CAMP JOURNEY:** This year’s Camp Journey for rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be held June 23 – 26 at Montevillo Middle School. This will be our largest camp yet with over 30 registered attendees. We’re looking forward to a great week.
-  **SAFE SCHOOLS CONFERENCE:** The SROs and I will be attending the annual Safe Schools Conference next week and are looking forward to gaining valuable knowledge to bring back to our schools and community while building relationships with others around the State to create a shared network of resources.



**Report to City Council  
May 27, 2025**

**General Updates**

- Congratulations to downtown Montevallo's nominations for Shelby County Small Business of the Year, Meri Moon (WINNER in the New Business Category) and Czeskleba TV Service! They were celebrated at a luncheon last week co-hosted by the Shelby County Chamber, Montevallo Main Street, Montevallo Chamber of Commerce, Calera Main Street, and Columbiana Main Street.
- We have retired our Youth Banner series, completed in 2021 in partnership with IMPACT Montevallo, and are now in the process of returning banners to the artists who designed them so they can display them at home. Banners will be available for pickup from Parnell Library.

**Business Opportunities**

- Registration is open for June's Business Basics class at City Annex, which will be led by Dr. DeAnna Smith on "Budgeting 101" at 8 AM on June 12. Register online at this link: <https://montevallo-main-street.square.site/business-basics-2025>
- Applications are still being accepted for this year's round of Façade Grants for business and property owners located within the Main Street District who fit certain criteria. The deadline to apply is June 30, 2025. Anyone interested in applying is invited to carefully read the entire application, which is available in the City Hall lobby and at this link:
  - <https://www.cityofmontevallo.com/Assets/Files/MainStreet/Facade%20Grant%20Application%202025.pdf>
- Applications are now open for our Fall 2025 cohort of CO.STARTERS, open to all aspiring and current small business owners who would like to fine-tune their business plans while hearing from other local successful entrepreneurs. Fall 2025 classes will be held at the University of Montevallo's Michael E. Stephens College of Business classroom 212 on Tuesdays from 6-9 PM, starting September 9 and ending November 4, with a celebration to be held on November 6. Learn more and apply for your spot (\$99 ea) at this link:
  - <https://www.cityofmontevallo.com/CO.STARTERS.aspx>

**Special Events**

- **Friday, May 30:** Join us in beautiful downtown Montevallo for an evening of live entertainment at Friday Nights at the Cove! Live music starts at 6:30 PM. 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.
- **Thursday, June 19:** Montevallo's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Juneteenth Celebration will be held from 10 AM - 1 PM at George Dailey Park (245 Selma Road). This event will feature a program with speakers and performances. Lunch will be provided. Information vendors with children's activities will be on site. Bring your own chair!

***Courtney Bennett, Executive Director***



**05/27/2025 Chamber/Council Report**

- 1) Co-hosted the 2025 Shelby County Small Business Awards Luncheon last week & it was the BEST with a Montevallo table, three Montevallo business nominees and Meri Moon receiving the NEW Business Award**
- 2) June Chamber Chatter will be disturbed Friday May 30th**
- 3) The 15th Annual Montevallo Farmers' Market, *Winner - second year in a row- of the Shelby Living Best of the Best Farmers' Market*, will start Monday June 2nd 3-6pm at 660 Main St. behind MFBC.**
- 4) Xcaret Mexican Grill Restaurant Ribbon Cutting Sat June 14th / 10am / 1032 Main Street**
- 5) Montevallo Chamber will be sponsoring the Team Lehman Shelby Emergency Assistance Disc Golf Tournament / Sat. May 31st / UM Disc Golf Course**
- 6) Montevallo Community Awards / *TUESDAY June 24 (new date)* / 6-8pm / UM Student Retreat / Tickets \$25.00 each and will be available from Regions, Trustmark or Chamber ( Due to the Community Awards, the Montevallo Chamber will not host a luncheon in June )**



**Adele Nelson**

**Executive Director**

**Montevallo Chamber of Commerce**

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## APPENDIX 6

Bill to  
**Montevallo City Hall**  
545 Main St.  
Montevallo, AL 35115

Ship to  
**Montevallo City Hall**  
545 Main St.  
Montevallo, AL 35115

Work Order #: 12894

Transaction Date: 5/13/2025

Terms: Net 15

Customer PO #: Library

Assigned Tech:

**Invoice #: 51655**

Item	Description	Quantity	Price	Amount
Quoted Price	Quoted price to replace 3 units at Library	1	\$79,873.00	\$79,873.00
Equipment	Lennox 4-ton Gaspack - Model #LGX048S5EX GE/4T/230-3/150K-2/HPE/R454B 8.5-ton Gaspack - Model #LGX102S5MH GE/8.5T/230- 3/240K/HPE/R454B 15-ton Gaspack - Model #LGX180S5MM GE/15T/360K/230- 3/R454B	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
Materials	Materials - duct seal & metal, 5 - 1/2 gas pipe fittings and nipples 4 - 3/4 pipe fittings and nipples 2 - 1 in. p-traps pvc 2 - 1in. tees pvc 2 - 1 in. elbows pvc 10 ft. wire 3 - polaris connectors 20 ft. thermostat wire	1	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Item	Description	Quantity	Price	Amount
work performed	We replaced RTU's 3, 4, 6 with new rooftop pkg. units due to age and busted heat exchangers. We hooked back to existing electrical, gas piping and curbs on all 3 units. Sealed all duct and made all connections as needed and tested operations of all 3 systems and all is running well at this time.  Griffin Street	1	\$0.00	\$0.00

Subtotal: \$79,873.00

Tax: \$0.00

Total: \$79,873.00

Payments: \$0.00

Balance Due: \$79,873.00





## Ordinance 05122025-353

### AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE QUALIFICATION FEE FOR CANDIDATES SEEKING ELECTION AS MAYOR OR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER

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

Section 1. A qualification fee in the amount of \$50.00 is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election as Mayor of the City of Montevallo, Alabama, except as hereinafter provided for.

Section 2. A qualification fee in the amount of \$50.00 is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election as Councilmember of the City of Montevallo, Alabama, except as hereinafter provided for.

Section 3. Such qualification fee shall be paid to the City Clerk and deposited to the general fund of the city at or prior to the time of taking out qualification papers by any such candidates.

Section 4. Any person desiring to qualify who is not financially able to pay the required fee may qualify provided such prospective candidate furnishes the clerk with an affidavit stating that he or she is financially unable to pay the required fee fixed by this ordinance.

Section 5. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Section 11-46-2 of the Alabama Code of 1975 and shall be effective in all elections, both general and special, for aforesaid offices from and after the date of adoption.

ADOPTED THIS THE 27th DAY OF MAY, 2025.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

**ORDINANCE # 05272025-987****AN ORDINANCE TO CONVEY MUNICIPAL PROPERTY NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC OR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Montevallo, Alabama, has determined that the real property owned by the City adjoining Stephens Park on Shelby County Highway 10 is not currently needed for public or municipal purposes, and

WHEREAS, the Council has further determined that it is in the best interest of the public and the City of Montevallo, Alabama, to convey said real property on the terms set out herein,

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

**Section 1.** It is hereby established and declared that the following described real property of the City of Montevallo, Alabama, is not currently needed for public or municipal purposes, to-wit:

Commence at the SE corner of Lot 1, Bonnie Green Homesteads, a map or plat of which is recorded in Map Book 12, page 52, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, and run North along the East line of said Lot 1 a distance of 39.01 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue North along the East line of said Lot 1 a distance of 100.00 feet; thence turn left 90 deg. and run West a distance of 100.00 feet; thence turn left 90 deg. and run South a distance of 100.00 feet; thence turn left 90 deg. and run East a distance of 100.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Also an easement for ingress, egress, and utilities described as follows: Begin at the SE corner of Lot 1, Bonnie Green Homesteads, a map or plat of which is recorded in Map Book 12, page 52, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, and run North along the East line of said Lot 1 a distance of 39.01 feet; thence turn left 90 deg. and run West a distance of 10.00 feet; thence turn left and run South to the South line of said Lot 1; thence turn left and run Northeasterly along the South line of said Lot 1 to the point of beginning.

Also, a 12-foot wide easement for ingress and egress across Lot 2, Bonnie Green Homesteads, a map of which is recorded in Map Book 12, page 52, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, running from the East line of the above-described property to the parking area of Stephens Park.

**Section 2.** The City of Montevallo, Alabama, having received a request from the Water Works & Sewer Board of the City of Montevallo to convey that real property described in Section 1 above for use as part of its water system, it is hereby declared to be in the best interest

of the public and the City of Montevallo, Alabama, to convey said real property to the Water Works & Sewer Board of the City of Montevallo.

**Section 3.** Pursuant to the authority granted by § 11-47-20, Code of Alabama 1975, the Mayor of the City of Montevallo, Alabama, is hereby authorized directed to execute a deed to in the name of the City of Montevallo, Alabama, conveying the property to the Water Works & Sewer Board of the City of Montevallo for no monetary consideration.

**Section 4.** This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and publication or posting as required by law.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS THE 27th DAY OF May, 2025.

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Rusty Nix Mayor

Attest:

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Steve Gilbert City Clerk