

COUNCIL CHAMBER - CITY HALL - GADSDEN, ALABAMA  
MAY 23, 2023 - 11:00 A.M.

The City Council met on May 23, 2023 in regular session.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Council President Back. On roll call by the City Clerk, Iva Nelson, the following council members answered present: Latham, Smith, Avery, Back, Wilson, Minatra and Robinson. The clerk stated a quorum was present and the meeting was open for business. Heath Williamson, Lee Roberts and Chief Jaggears were also present.

The invocation was given by Councilman Smith.

The minutes of the last work session and council meeting held on May 16, 2023 were approved by unanimous vote.

Payment of the HTE System accounts for the week of May 12 - 18, 2023 were ratified by unanimous vote.

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On behalf of Mayor Ford, Ruth Moffatt read a proclamation proclaiming May 2023, as “Mental Health Awareness Month” and presented it to Neiel Elston (A Safe Place to Land, LLC)

RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION:

(1) The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-292-23

REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE TURRENTINE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
BOARD

(Reappointing Leigh Ellen Brummerhoff, Susan Little and Tim Blevins - For terms expiring on 5-20-26)

Councilman Wilson moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Robinson and unanimously adopted.

(2) A resolution declaring a one-year moratorium on short-term rentals in R-1, R-2, and R-T districts was presented for consideration. Councilman Wilson moved to substitute the following resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilman Smith and unanimously carried:

RESOLUTION NO. R-293-23

SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM ON CERTAIN NEW BUSINESS LICENSES

(Declaring moratorium on issuing business licenses for short term rentals in R-1 districts - For term of 6 months, from effective date of 7-1-23 - Note: Short-term rentals, such as Airbnb and Vrbo were not adequately addressed in existing regulations. Goodwyn Mills Cawood, LLC will research, study, and develop an ordinance for an appropriate zoning development plan)

Councilman Wilson noted a plan might be prepared as early as August and moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Latham unanimously adopted.

COUNCIL REMARKS

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was duly adjourned.

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Iva Nelson, City Clerk (5-23-23)

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