



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

300 Martin Luther King Blvd.

May 20, 2025

TIME: 6:00 PM

1. A CALL TO ORDER

President Smith called the council meeting to order at 06:00 pm and asked Mr. Jones to call the roll.

2. ROLL CALL

All City Council members were present. Mayor Fuller was absent.

1. George Allen, Erica Norris, Tim Aja, Todd Rauch, Eddie Smith

3. INVOCATION

Ms. Nicholson provided the invocation.

1. Anne Nicholson from Open Heavens Ministry.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jancyn and Drue led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Jancyn Thompson and Drue Gagliano from Opelika High School.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Minutes from the 05-06-25 council meeting.

President Smith stated that a copy of the minutes had been previously received by the council and asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Rauch made a motion to approve. Mr. Allen seconded the motion. President Smith then asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes. President Smith stated having no corrections, the minutes stand approved.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. MAYOR COMMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

President Smith made the presentations in Mayor Fuller's absence.

1. City's Financial Summary Report for April 2025.

President Smith asked Mr. Motley to give the financial report and building report.

Mr. Motley stated that if the council had any questions about the city's financial summary report to ask Mayor Fuller, Cindy Boyd, or himself about it.

2. April 2025 Monthly Building Report.

Mr. Motley then gave the monthly building report.

3. Proclamation for Savannah Rowan.

President Smith asked Savannah Rowan to come up front and be recognized. President Smith then read the proclamation and presented it to her.

4. Proclamation for ALS Awareness Month.

President Smith asked Mr. Rauch to join him up front to present the proclamation. Mr. Rauch explained how this was in memory of Dr. Robert Lofton, who served on the Opelika city council and was affected by this terrible disease. Mr. Rauch and President Smith read the proclamation, and Mr. Rauch stated that he would be presenting it to Dr. Lofton's family at a later date.

5. Recognize Character Council Citizen of Excellent Character.

President Smith then asked Ward 1 Councilman George Allen, members of the Character Council, and Mr. Wilbert D. Payne, Jr., and his family, to come up front to be recognized as the May 2025 Citizen of Excellent Character. Mr. Allen spoke about why he chose Mr. Payne for the award and how he exemplified the character trait of the month: Dedication. President Smith then read the certificate and presented it to Mr. Payne.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Limit comments to 3 minutes or less)

President Smith asked Mr. Jones to present the public hearings.

1. Public Hearing - Demolition - 103 Avenue B.

Mr. Jones presented the public hearing. President Smith opened the public hearing and asked if anyone present would like to speak for or against said demolition. No one came forward to speak. President Smith closed the public hearing.

2. Public Hearing - Demolition - 2602 Lafayette Parkway.

Mr. Jones presented the public hearing. President Smith opened the public hearing and asked if anyone present would like to speak for or against said demolition. No one came forward to speak. President Smith closed the public hearing.

3. Public Hearing - Demolition - 2404 Old Columbus Road.

Mr. Jones presented the public hearing. President Smith opened the public hearing and asked if anyone present would like to speak for or against said demolition. No one came forward to speak. President Smith closed the public hearing.

4. Public Hearing - Demolition Cost Assessment - 509 1st Avenue.

Mr. Jones presented the public hearing. President Smith opened the public hearing and asked if anyone present would like to speak for or against said cost assessment.

Loretta Wanat of 11090 Woodruff Road, Fairburn, Georgia spoke against the cost assessment.

President Smith closed the public hearing.

9. AGENDA-RELATED PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limit comments to 3 minutes or less)

Loretta Wanat of 11090 Woodruff Road, Fairburn, Georgia spoke first. Ms. Wanat stated her concerns about the way the city handled the demolition of her home at 509 1st Avenue. Ms. Wanat went into great detail about how the home was in compliance, except for the roof, and her communications with city officials. Ms. Wanat closed by stating that the notice that was sent to her was not signed by the city's building inspector, and she believed that the entire process was handled incorrectly.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

President Smith asked Mr. Jones to present the general business.

1. Request Downtown Street Closure - First Baptist Church Opelika Vacation Bible School from 06-02-25 to 06-05-25.

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

11. AWARDING OF BIDS

President Smith asked Ms. Finley to present the bids.

1. Holophane Lighting - OPS.

RESOLUTION NO. 127-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Pedestrian/Bicycle Route Along Waverly Parkway - ENG.

RESOLUTION NO. 128-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

SECONDER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

AYES:	Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

12. RESOLUTIONS

President Smith asked Mr. Gunter to present the resolutions.

1. Expense Reports from Various Departments.

RESOLUTION NO. 129-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

SECONDER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Purchase - Shelter for Sportsplex - P&R.

During discussion, Ms. Norris stated that she was looking forward to similar investments like this being made in Ward 2 at Bandy Park and other parks.

RESOLUTION NO. 130-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

3. Approve Application for an ALDOT Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Grant for a Shared Use Path on Waverly Parkway - ENG.

RESOLUTION NO. 131-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

4. Approve License Agreement and Acknowledgment with Alabama Power for Sewer Pipe Crossings in Wyndham Village - ENG.

RESOLUTION NO. 132-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

SECONDER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

5. Amend the Organizational Chart of the Opelika Environmental Services Department - HR.

RESOLUTION NO. 133-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

6. Approve Lease Agreement with Petrina Properties, LLC - HR.

RESOLUTION NO. 134-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

7. Approve Host Agency Agreement with Lee Russell Council of Governments - ED.

RESOLUTION NO. 135-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

8. Approve Mediation Settlement Agreement with Roger L. Collier - ADMIN.

RESOLUTION NO. 136-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

9. Demolition - 103 Avenue B.

RESOLUTION NO. 137-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

10. Demolition - 2602 Lafayette Parkway.

RESOLUTION NO. 138-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

11. Demolition - 2404 Old Columbus Road.

RESOLUTION NO. 139-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

12. Demolition Cost Assessment - 509 1st Avenue.

RESOLUTION NO. 140-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: 4 TO 1

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen
SECONDER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch
AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris
ABSTAIN: None

13. Request for Approval of a Special Use Permit by Verizon Wireless at 4499 Northpark Drive.

During discussion, Ms. Norris asked if this was an existing cell tower. Mr. Gunter answered yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 141-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: Passed
MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch
SECONDER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen
AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

13. **ORDINANCES**

President Smith asked Mr. Gunter to present the ordinances.

1. Amend Zoning Ordinance Text: Section 3.1 - Building Permit Required, and Section 8.11.1 - Temporary Structures/Temporary Uses - 2nd Reading.
 During discussion, Mr. Aja read a statement as to his opposition to the text amendment, and it is attached as part of the minutes. Ms. Norris then asked who proposed the text amendment. President Smith asked Planning Director, Matt Mosley, to explain. Mr. Mosley answered that the text amendment was proposed by the Planning Commission. President Smith asked what the recommendation of the Planning Commission was. Mr. Mosley answered that it was a positive recommendation to the city council for approval. Ms. Norris asked what the need was for the text amendment. Mr. Mosley answered that he believed the idea was to help with guidance for other possible bed and breakfast businesses in a residential zone. Ms. Norris asked if it was true that the ordinance would currently affect only one business, the Renfroe home. Mr. Mosley answered yes. Ms. Norris asked Mr. Aja, for clarity, if the main reason he was opposed to the ordinance was because it would adversely affect only the Renfroe home. Mr. Aja answered yes. President Smith asked Mr. Gunter to explain how the Renfroe home was allowed to be in a residential zone. Mr. Gunter explained that the city's Board of Zoning Adjustments (BZA) in the late 1980's approved a specific variance for the home to be operated as a bed and breakfast in a residential zone, the variance has no expiration, and the home can be used as such if the owner wishes to do so. Mr. Allen then asked Mr. Mosley about the 5-0 vote of the Planning Commission to recommend and if there were commission members absent. Mr. Mosley confirmed there were 4 commission members absent. Mr. Allen confirmed that he was not at that meeting and, for the record, did not vote to send this to the council with a positive recommendation, and he stated he would have voted against it had he been there. Mr. Rauch then stated that this

was more than just tweaking a few lines, but this was about transparency, fairness, and if we as a city want to have serious conversations about the future of responsible small-scale hospitality in the city. Mr. Rauch also stated that this ordinance, framed as such, was a backdoor effort to eliminate the ability for any future bed and breakfasts to be established in residential zones. Mr. Rauch then stated that since January 2024, the council has been trying to find a compromise that supports both homeowners and entrepreneurs without disrupting a neighborhood's integrity, and yet at every step the Planning Commission has stalled, delayed, and failed to offer a path forward. Mr. Rauch stated that back in January of this year the Planning Commission tabled a separate text amendment that would allow bed and breakfasts under a conditional use permit, and it hasn't been touched since. Mr. Rauch closed by stating that the city deserves leadership that is willing to make hard decisions, not bury issues when they become inconvenient, called on the Planning Commission to take action on the tabled text amendment and send it to the council for action, and then urged the council to vote with caution on this ordinance. President Smith then asked Mr. Jones to call the roll and following vote was recorded:

SECOND READING AND FAILED: 4 TO 0

RESULT: Failed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

AYES: None

NAYS: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

ABSTAIN: Councilman Ward 4 - President Eddie Smith

2. Amend Zoning Ordinance & Map: 2502 Anderson Road, 20 Acres, from R-1 to R-3 - 2nd Reading.

During discussion, Mr. Rauch stated that over the past several weeks he had heard from many of his constituents through phone calls, emails, and a signed petition expressing their concerns about density, traffic, neighborhood character, and the overall impact this rezoning could have on their quality of life. Mr. Rauch then stated that he had heard them, and appreciated their passion, but as a legislator he must also understand the legal framework that governs decisions. Mr. Rauch then pointed to the fifth amendment of the US Constitution, which protects a citizen's right to property, and the city's zoning code being applied fairly and consistently based on land use compatibility, not on personal preference. Mr. Rauch also stated this vote would not be the final word, as the next steps would involve the Planning Commission, site plans, and another round of reviews, all of which would be public and open for further input. Mr. Rauch closed by stating he had expressed his concerns to the property owner, and made it clear that when this comes back to the council for neighborhood approval, the voices of the surrounding property owners should be a part of the conversation. Ms. Norris also stated she had spoken with both sides of owners through phone calls, text messages, and emails, and they all brought a lot of information to the table for her to make the best decision for the citizens as a whole. Ms. Norris then closed by thanking them all for the conversations and information for her to make an informed decision. Mr. Allen stated that he also spoke with the property owner and mentioned that they wanted to build affordable housing on the property, and his decision would be based on that. Ms. Norris then mentioned that there was a petition signed by over 50 people opposing this rezoning, and that it would be

more specifically for workforce housing. President Smith then asked Mr. Jones to call the roll and the following vote was recorded:

ORDINANCE NO. 012-25

SECOND READING AND APPROVED: 3 TO 1

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris

ABSTAIN: Councilman Ward 4 - President Eddie Smith

3. Approve the Leasing of the Property Located at 1103 Glenn Street to Envision Opelika Foundation, Inc. - 2nd Reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 013-25

SECOND READING AND APPROVED: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

4. Amend Section 3-15 of the City Code of Ordinances: Relating to the Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages in a Public Place - 1st Reading.

FIRST READING: INTRODUCED

President Smith asked for a member of the council to introduce the ordinance. Mr. Allen introduced the ordinance.

5. Reschedule the 1st Regular Meeting of the City Council for July 2025 - 1st Reading.

FIRST READING: INTRODUCED

President Smith asked for a member of the council to introduce the ordinance. Mr. Aja introduced the ordinance.

President Smith then asked for a motion to suspend the rules to have a second reading. Mr. Aja made a motion to suspend the rules. Ms. Norris seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the following vote was recorded:

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

SECONDER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 - President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

President Smith asked if there was motion to approve the ordinance at second reading. Mr. Rauch made a motion to approve. Mr. Allen seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and the following vote was recorded:

ORDINANCE NO. 014-25

SECOND READING AND APPROVED: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President
Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 -
President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

14. **APPOINTMENTS**

President Smith presented the appointments.

1. Appoint Case O'Dell to the Lee Russell Council of Governments MPO Citizen Advisory Committee. Existing Term expires 01-01-2027.

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President
Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 -
President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Reappoint Tom "Mac" Morris to the Energy Southeast Election Committee.

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President
Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 -
President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

15. **SECOND ROSTER OF PUBLIC COMMENTS** (Limit comments to 3 minutes or less)

Mattie Clark of 706 Orchard Avenue spoke first. Ms. Clark stated that the citizens of Ward 1 would like to have a walking trail at Covington Recreation Center, especially so the senior citizens can have a nice place to walk, and then also asked if they could move a restroom closer to there as well.

Laticia Smith of 2262 Heritage Ridge Lane, Auburn, Alabama spoke next. Ms. Smith stated that preserving historical graves is crucial because they are tangible links to the past, they offer insights into our cultural heritage, our social history, and our personal narratives. Ms. Smith also stated that cemeteries ensure that we don't lose sight of our past, and they tell the stories of those who came before us. Ms. Smith then stated that as President of the Lee County branch 5038 of the

NAACP, they are actively involved in the preservation of historic sites, which would include Hodge's Cemetery in Opelika. Ms. Smith then gave an update as to what was found recently at the cemetery location after being notified of possible encroachment by construction of a subdivision. Ms. Smith closed by asking the city for their support in upcoming conversations and actions, because cemeteries matter and preserving history is important.

Mac Morris of 2709 Rocky Brook Lane spoke next. Mr. Morris stated that he is a member of the Lee County Cemetery Preservation Committee and echoed Ms. Smith about how important cemeteries are. Mr. Morris then stated that Hodge Cemetery, just off Hwy 431 past Hillflo, dates back to the 1840's, and the Hodge family was one of the first families in Opelika. Mr. Morris also stated that this cemetery was unique in that it was not only the Hodge family cemetery, but it included Confederate Veterans, and also two predominantly African-American churches buried their members in the cemetery for years. Mr. Morris continued that the cemetery was kind of forgotten about because it was always considered to be out in the country, but recent growth of the city has now brought a large development to its location. Mr. Morris closed by also expressing concerns about the development encroaching on the location of the Hodge Cemetery, and asked that a new survey of the cemetery be done because they are still using one from 125 years ago.

Tiffany Hilyer of 1305 Morris Avenue spoke next. Ms. Hilyer stated that she was also there to speak about halting the current development that was encroaching on Hodge Cemetery. Ms. Hilyer also asked that a new survey be done to ensure all the grave sites were protected. Ms. Hilyer closed again by stating she was not asking them to stop progress or the development completely, but she would like them to preserve the history there first.

President Smith asked Mr. Motley to please follow up with the council about any help the city could give for this.

16. ADJOURN

The City Council meeting minutes of May 20, 2025, are hereby adopted and approved this the 3rd day of June, 2025.

/s/ Eddie Smith

President of City Council
City of Opelika, Alabama

ATTEST:

/s/ Russell A. Jones, MMC

City Clerk

1. Character Trait of the Month - Dedication, a self-sacrificing devotion and loyalty. President Smith read the character trait of the month and asked if there was a motion to adjourn.
2. Motion to Adjourn.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: UNANIMOUS

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Councilwoman Ward 2 - President Pro-Tem Erica Norris

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

AYES: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilwoman Ward 2 - President
Pro-Tem Norris, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, Councilman Ward 4 -
President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

The council meeting ended at 07:12 pm.