



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

300 Martin Luther King Blvd.

October 21, 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

The Mayor and all City Council members were present.

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

3. INVOCATION

President Smith provided the invocation.

1. President of the City Council - Eddie Smith.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Konner and Elena led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Konner Key and Elena Tonks from Northside Intermediate School.

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

1. Minutes from the 10-07-25 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. Allen made a motion to approve. Mr. Aja 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

1. Reappoint Sutricia Ann Lilly-Johnson to the Opelika Housing Authority. New Term expires 10-18-2030.

Mayor Fuller announced he was reappointing Sutricia Ann Lilly-Johnson to the Opelika Housing Authority.

2. City's Financial Summary Report for September 2025.
Mayor Fuller asked if the council had any questions about the city's financial summary report to ask Cindy Boyd, Mr. Motley or himself about it.

Mayor Fuller then gave an overview of what the city had accomplished, as a team, over the past 21 years since he first became Mayor.

Mr. Gunter also spoke about his past 50 years of service to the city, as City Attorney, and stated he believed the city was in great shape going forward.

3. September 2025 Monthly Building Report.
Mayor Fuller asked Mr. Motley to give the monthly building report and Mr. Motley did so.
4. Recognize Firefighters, Police Officers, and Dispatcher of the Year for 2025.
Mayor Fuller invited Fire Chief Boyd and Police Chief Healey up front to recognize the nominees and winners of each award.
5. Recognize Sergeant James Daniel with a Meritorious Service Award.
Mayor Fuller and Police Chief Healey invited Sergeant Daniel up front and presented him with the award.
6. Recognize Officer Christopher Fisher with a Special Recognition Award.
Mayor Fuller and Police Chief Healey invited Officer Fisher up front and presented him with the award.
7. Employee Service Awards.
Mayor Fuller then invited each department head and their respective employees up front, and recognized each with their employee service awards based on number of years served.

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

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

1. Public Hearing - Weed Abatement Assessment - 500 A MLK Blvd.
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 weed abatement. No one came forward to speak. President Smith closed the public hearing.
2. Public Hearing - Weed Abatement Assessment - 500 B MLK Blvd.
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 weed abatement. No one came forward to speak. President Smith closed the public hearing.
3. Public Hearing - Weed Abatement Assessment - 120 Chester 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 weed abatement. No one came forward to speak. President Smith closed the public hearing.

9. AGENDA-RELATED PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limit comments to 3 minutes or less)
None.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

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

1. Request Alcohol License - QuikTrip #7183, Retail Wine and Beer Off Premise.

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Request Temporary Street Closure - Victorian Front Porch Walking Tour on 12-13-25.

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

11. AWARDING OF BIDS

President Smith asked Ms. Finley to present the bids.

1. 15kV Primary Underground Distribution Cable - OPS.

RESOLUTION NO. 274-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Single-Phase Pad-Mounted Transformers - OPS.

RESOLUTION NO. 275-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

3. Single-Phase Pole-Mounted Transformers - OPS.

RESOLUTION NO. 276-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

4. One (1) 2025 Toyota Van - ADMIN.

RESOLUTION NO. 277-25

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, 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. 278-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Designate City Personal Property Surplus and Authorize Disposal.

RESOLUTION NO. 279-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

3. Purchase - One (1) 2026 Ford Maverick - INSP.

RESOLUTION NO. 280-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

4. Purchase - Three (3) Year Imprivata Agreement - IT.

RESOLUTION NO. 281-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

5. Purchase - GeoMarvel Master Services Agreement - IT.

RESOLUTION NO. 282-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

6. Purchase - Beyond Trust Corp Agreement - IT.

RESOLUTION NO. 283-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

7. Purchase - Six hundred twenty-four (624) Toter 96 Gal EVR II Universal/Nestable Carts - OES.

RESOLUTION NO. 284-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

8. Purchase - (34) 4, 6, 8, and 20 Cu. Yd. Front-Load and Roll-Off Containers - OES.

RESOLUTION NO. 285-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

9. Purchase - One (1) 2026 T380 Single Axle Peterson Knuckleboom - OES.

RESOLUTION NO. 286-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

10. Amend the Organizational Chart of the Opelika Fire Department - HR.

RESOLUTION NO. 287-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

11. Approve Revised ROW Agreement with JAD Real Estate for the Hi Pack Extension Project - ENG.

RESOLUTION NO. 288-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

12. Approve Revised ROW Agreement with 2112 Cunningham Properties for the Hi Pack Drive Extension Project - ENG.

RESOLUTION NO. 289-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

13. Establish Compensation of Presiding Municipal Judge, Municipal Judge, Assistant City Prosecutors, and Public Defender - MC.

RESOLUTION NO. 290-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

14. Weed Abatement Assessment - 500 A MLK Blvd.

RESOLUTION NO. 291-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

15. Weed Abatement Assessment - 500 B MLK Blvd.

RESOLUTION NO. 292-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

16. Weed Abatement Assessment - 120 Chester Avenue.

RESOLUTION NO. 293-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

17. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with ARC of the Chattahoochee Valley.

RESOLUTION NO. 294-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

18. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with Envision Opelika Foundation.

RESOLUTION NO. 295-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

19. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with Esperanza House.

RESOLUTION NO. 296-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

20. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with J. W. Darden Foundation.

RESOLUTION NO. 297-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: 4 TO 0

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

21. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with Keep Opelika Beautiful.

RESOLUTION NO. 298-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: 4 TO 0

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

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

NAYS: None

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

22. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with One Voice Shelter.

RESOLUTION NO. 299-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

23. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with Opelika First Class Pre-K Academy.

RESOLUTION NO. 300-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

24. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with Opelika Industrial Development Authority.

RESOLUTION NO. 301-25

MOTION TO APPROVE: 4 TO 0

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

25. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with The Dream Day Foundation.

RESOLUTION NO. 302-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

26. Annual Appropriation Contract FY2026 with Worthy Squared.

RESOLUTION NO. 303-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

27. Approve FY2026 Funding Agreement with Storybook Farm.

RESOLUTION NO. 304-25

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

13. ORDINANCES

President Smith asked Mr. Gunter to present the ordinances.

1. Approve Rights-Of-Way Use Agreement with C Spire - 2nd Reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 030-25

SECOND READING AND APPROVED: 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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Approve Second Amendment to Option and Lease Agreement with Level-Up Assets - 2nd Reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 031-25

SECOND READING AND APPROVED: 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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

3. Amend Zoning Ordinance Bed and Breakfast (more restrictive) — Section 2.2 Definitions, Section 3.1 Building Permit Required, Section 8.11.1 Temporary Structures/Temporary Uses, Adding Section 8.28.4 Standards for Bed and Breakfast - 2nd Reading.

During discussion, Mr. Aja read a statement, and said statement is attached to the minutes.

MOTION TO APPROVE AT SECOND READING: FAILED 4 TO 0

RESULT: Failed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 1 Willie Allen

AYES: None

NAYS: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

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

4. Amend Zoning Ordinance Bed and Breakfast (less restrictive) — Section 2.2 Definitions, Section 3.1 Building Permit Required, Section 8.11.1 Temporary

Structures/Temporary Uses, Adding Section 8.28.4 Standards for Bed and Breakfast - 2nd Reading.

During discussion, President Pro-Tem Norris explained why she abstained on both votes regarding this issue.

MOTION TO APPROVE AT SECOND READING: FAILED 3 TO 1

RESULT: Failed

MOVER: Councilman Ward 3 Tim Aja

SECONDER: Councilman Ward 5 Todd Rauch

AYES: Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: Councilman Ward 1 Allen, Councilman Ward 3 Aja, President Smith

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

14. APPOINTMENTS

President Smith presented the appointments.

1. Appoint Dr. Richard Wilmarth to the Lee County Youth Development Center Board. New Term expires 10-01-2029.

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Appoint Garrison Snelling to the Library Board. New Term expires 10-19-2029.

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

3. Appoint Kelli Hitchman-Craig to the Library Board. New Term expires 10-19-2029.

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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

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

Daniel Hudson of 306 N 12th Street spoke first. Mr. Hudson stated that he had done things in the past that he regretted, stated he was improving himself, and asked for forgiveness from the community.

Linburgh B. Jackson of 136 Arrowhead Drive, Montgomery, Alabama spoke next. Mr. Jackson again asked the council to look into why he is being required to get flood insurance before being permitted to start an at-home business.

16. ADJOURN

The City Council meeting minutes of October 21, 2025, are hereby adopted and approved this the 4th day of November, 2025.

/s/ W. George Allen

President of City Council
City of Opelika, Alabama

ATTEST:

/s/ Russell A. Jones, MMC

City Clerk

1. Character Trait of the Month - Respect, a feeling of deep admiration for someone or something elicited by their abilities, qualities, or achievements.

President Smith read the character trait of the month and asked if there was a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Jones asked everyone in the audience to please recognize this council for the job they did throughout their 5-year term.

2. Motion to Adjourn.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: 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, President Smith, Councilman Ward 5 Rauch

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

The council meeting ended at 07:21 pm.