



**CITY OF OPELIKA
CITY COUNCIL
WORKSESSION MEETING AGENDA
300 Martin Luther King Blvd.
August 4, 2026
TIME: 5:30 PM**

1. A CALL TO ORDER
 1. George Allen, Janataka Hughley-Holmes, Leigh Whatley, Chuck Beams, Todd Rauch
2. PRESENTATIONS
3. RESOLUTIONS
 1. Set Date of Public Hearing on Petition to Revoke Certain Business Licenses - 3040 Capps Way - REV.
4. ORDINANCES
5. GENERAL UPDATES
6. REVIEW/DISCUSS CURRENT COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
 1. Discussion of Consent Agenda or Regular Agenda Items.
7. GENERAL / DISCUSSION
8. END OF WORK SESSION

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING DATE ON PETITION TO REVOKE
THE BUSINESS LICENSE ISSUED TO TOGETHER WE THRIVE LLC
RELATING TO WILD WING CAFE LOCATED AT 3040 CAPPS WAY**

WHEREAS, Together We Thrive LLC, d/b/a Wild Wing Café was issued a business license on March 11, 2026, to operate under the classification *Restaurant* located at 3040 Capps Way; and

WHEREAS, Together We Thrive LLC, d/b/a Wild Wing Café was issued an alcohol license on March 11, 2026 to operate under the classification *Restaurant Retail Liquor; Retail Beer On Premise* located at 3040 Capps Way; and

WHEREAS, a petition to revoke said business and alcohol licenses were filed on July 21, 2026 by Revenue Department; and

WHEREAS, the City Council (the “Council”) has reviewed the Petition filed by the Revenue Department to revoke said business and alcohol licenses issued by the City of Opelika to Together We Thrive LLC, d/b/a Wild Wing Cafe, located at 3040 Capps Way, Opelika, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to §14-318(a), a business license may be suspended or revoked by the City Council after notice to the Licensee and a public hearing for certain specified reasons; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing/Revenue Manager has requested a public hearing pursuant to Section 14-318(c)(2) of the City Code for the possible revocation of the business license of Together We Thrive LLC, d/b/a Wild Wing Cafe due to complaints of the Wild Wing Cafe having become a public nuisance and dangerous to the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council must hold a public hearing to determine if there is substantial evidence justifying the suspension or revocation of the license; and

WHEREAS, the City Council must set the public hearing date by resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Opelika, Alabama, as follows:

1. That the City Council will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Courtroom of the Municipal Court Building, 300 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Opelika, Alabama, to consider the Petition filed by the Revenue Department seeking the possible revocation of the restaurant business license issued to Together We Thrive LLC, d/b/a Wild Wing Cafe.

2. That the City Clerk is hereby directed to give notice of the date and time of the public hearing and the grounds for revocation of the business license to the Licensee at least ten (10) days prior to the public hearing as set forth by the provisions of §14-318(c)(2) of the *Code of Ordinances* of the City of Opelika.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2026.

W. George Allen
President of the City Council
City of Opelika, Alabama

ATTEST:

Russell A. Jones, MMC
City Clerk

**PETITION FOR REVOCATION OF CITY OF OPELIKA BUSINESS
LICENSE
(TOGETHER WE THRIVE, LLC D/B/A WILD WINGS CAFE)**

TO: MEMBERS OF THE OPELIKA CITY COUNCIL
FROM: COURTNEY ROSS, PURCHASING-REVENUE MANAGER
DATE: JULY 21, 2026
RE: RECOMMENDATION FOR REVOCATION OF BUSINESS LICENSES
ISSUED TO TOGETHER WE THRIVE, LLC., D/B/A WILD WING
CAFÉ, 3040 CAPPS WAY, OPELIKA, ALABAMA

The Revenue Department hereby seeks revocation of the business licenses issued to Together We Thrive, LLC, relating to the business located at 3040 Capps Way, Opelika, Alabama. This Petition is made pursuant to §14-318(c) of the *Code of Ordinances* of the City of Opelika, which provides that the Revenue Department may petition the City Council to suspend or revoke a business license.

I INTRODUCTION

Together We Thrive, LLC (the “Licensee”) owns and operates a restaurant serving liquor and beer located at 3040 Capps Way, Opelika, Alabama. The Licensee operates its business at the above address as an Alabama limited liability company under the trade name of Wild Wing Cafe. The following business licenses were issued by the City to the Licensee on March 11, 2026:

- Retail: Restaurant
- Alcoholic Beverage: Restaurant Retail Liquor and Retail Beer On Premise

The Revenue Department seeks to revoke the above business licenses issued to the Licensee. The evidence in this case shows that on-site management engaged in illegal activities and misconduct, and the Licensee is unworthy of his business licenses.

II. STATEMENT OF LAW

The Revenue Department is charged with the primary responsibility of administering the City of Opelika’s business license tax ordinance. Any person who conducts business in the City of Opelika must obtain a business license on or before the business commences and must renew such license each year. Section

14-318 of the *Code of Ordinances* of the City of Opelika, provides, in part, as follows:

- (a) *Generally.* Any business license issued pursuant to this chapter, or the privilege to obtain a business license, may be suspended or revoked by the city council after notice and public hearing for any of the following reasons:
 - (1) The licensee, taxpayer or license applicant, or its principal, agent, servant, or employee, violates or has violated any provision of this code or any ordinance of the city, or any federal or state law, rule or regulation relating to the license, the business, the premises, or business activity to which the license or application pertains.
 - (2) The licensee, taxpayer or license applicant, or its principal, agent, servant, or employee, violates, aids in violating, or knowingly allows to be violated any criminal ordinance of the city or any criminal law of the state on the licensed premises.
 - (3) The business or its operation is, or is reasonably likely to become, if allowed to commence or continue, offensive, injurious, or dangerous to the public health, safety, or general welfare, to the extent of constituting nuisance.

III. STATEMENT OF FACTS

Since its opening, the Opelika Police Department has responded to numerous calls for service and complaints at Wild Wing Cafe. The calls include assaults, shootings, fights, drug activity, driving under the influence (DUI), loud noise, illegal parking, and large crowds exceeding the establishment's maximum occupancy limit of 310 persons. The ABC board also received a citizen complaint about serving underage individuals. ALEA later made two successful undercover alcohol purchases by underage operatives within the establishment.

Over the past 4 months, Wild Wing Café has clearly established itself as being dangerous to public health, safety, and to the general welfare of the city of Opelika. The business has also charged patrons a cover charge to enter the premises and is, therefore, acting as a club instead of a restaurant. It is requested that the business license be revoked.

Since March 13, 2026, the Police Department has responded to 3040 Capps Way (Wild Wing Cafe) a total of 92 times for calls for service and security checks:

SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS

3/29/26: Complaint of charging \$25 for entry.

4/3/26: Complaint of loud noise from parking lot.

4/5/26: Complaint about large number of cars and cars illegally parked.

4/11/26: 20 individuals in parking lot fighting. Investigative traffic stops.

4/17/26:

- Shots being fired as officers were arriving. Security guards pointed at Cadillac Escalade that eventually led police on a chase. Someone threw an AR-15 from the vehicle. Driver arrested for Att. To Elude (felony). Driver charged with felony att. To elude. Gunshot victim refused prosecution. 21 shell casings recovered on scene.

- 19-year-old arrested for minor in consumption from pursuit.

4/28/26: Caller complained about drug use in area.

5/1/26: Employee called to complain about large crowd in the parking lot.

5/10/26: Employee stole cash from the safe and left with bottles of liquor. Argument in parking lot. Owner, Finch, would not prosecute.

5/21/26: Fight inside the business reported on 5/22/26. Bartender and customer fought. When asked why police did not get called when it happened, bartender said, "the owner told me not to."

5/22/26: DUI in parking lot at 2 am.

5/25/26: Fight call. People dispersed when police arrived.

5/29/26: Fight call. Dispersed upon police arrival.

6/18/26: Shots fired call (false report). Made arrest on subject with a warrant.

6/19/26: OFD responded to large crowd. Roads blocked and over capacity of 310. Owner said there were only 75 people in the business. Business allowed people to leave to get under capacity.

6/28/26:

Fight in parking lot between 2-3 females.

Officer deployed pepper spray and arrested 2 women.

Cars speeding from premises. Very crowded.

7/2/26:

400-450 people inside. 100-150 in line to get in. OFD called and said capacity is 310. Fire engine could not get to business because roadway blocked. Allowed people to leave to get under capacity.

Sgt. Foster learned they were charging \$40 for entry.

Illegally parked vehicles. Numerous cars blocking roadway. 6 vehicles towed.

7/3/26: Request officer presence to clear out large crowd.

7/6/26: Complaint of DUI driver. Not located.

7/9/26: Complaint of 300 plus people. Over capacity. People allowed to leave.

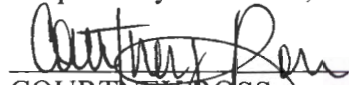
7/17/26: ALEA made 2 underage alcohol buys inside the business. Juveniles did not have to show ID to purchase alcoholic beverages.

The evidence in this case demonstrates that the Licensee is conducting its business in an illegal manner in violation of State law or in such a manner as to constitute a public nuisance.

IV. CONCLUSION

The Revenue Department respectfully requests that the City Council set a date for hearing this Petition and then revoke the aforementioned business licenses issued by the City to the Licensee.

Respectfully submitted,



COURTNEY ROSS
PURCHASING-REVENUE MANAGER