

## **CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES OF MARCH 2, 2021**

The Enterprise City Council convened in Work Session at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 2, 2021, in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Council President Turner Townsend, District #5  
Council President Pro-Tem Sonya W. Rich, District #1  
Council Member Eugene Goolsby, District #2  
Council Member Greg Padgett, District #3  
Council Member Scotty Johnson, District #4

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor William E. Cooper  
Interim City Clerk Beverly Sweeney was present and kept the minutes.  
City Attorney Rainer Cotter  
City Administrator Jonathan Tullos  
Glenn Morgan  
City Department Heads  
Caroline Quattlebaum, Southeast Sun  
Savannah Weed, Enterprise Ledger

**ROLL CALL** – Council President Townsend noted that all Council Members were present.

### **TIER II RETIREMENT CONVERSION**

Human Resources Director Christina Meissner provided information to the Council related to the opportunity to provide Tier II employees with the benefits provided to Tier I employees and the cost to the city to provide those benefits. Further study and review will be held at an upcoming Work Session.

### **STREET RESURFACING**

Consulting Engineer Glenn Morgan presented a preliminary list of streets for Phase II of the city's street resurfacing project. Proceeds from the 2020 bond issue will be used to fund the project.

### **SEWER PROJECTS**

City Administrator Jonathan Tullos discussed proposed amendments to the FY 21 budget approving a transfer of \$200,000 from the city sales tax account to the sewer account for unfunded sewer projects along Rucker Boulevard, the southeast bypass, and downtown. Funding is available due to a \$200,000 increase in projected sales tax revenue. With an increase of \$200,000 in revenues offset with an increase in expenditures of \$200,000, the proposed amendments are budget neutral. Resolution 03-02-21-B providing to amend the FY 21 budget will be considered at the March 2 meeting.

### **ALM CONFERENCE DELEGATE**

Council President Townsend recommended Council Member Greg Padgett be appointed as the voting delegate for the 2021 Alabama League of Municipalities Convention. The Council will consider the appointment at its March 16 meeting.

### **CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council President Townsend informed those in attendance that items pending before the Council involved issues requiring legal advice and counsel and requested an Executive Session. Council Member Johnson offered the motion to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Council Member Rich. All Council Members – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO ALABAMA OPEN MEETINGS LAW**

At 5:25 p.m., Attorney Rainer Cotter appeared before the Council and stated that items pending before the Council involved issues requiring legal advice and counsel; reputation and character, security plans, and real estate transactions.

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**MINUTES EXCERPTS AND MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION  
PURSUANT TO THE ALABAMA OPEN MEETINGS LAW  
A05-0145**

WHEREAS, the Enterprise City Council with a quorum being present, was conducting a meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2021, the time, date, place and agenda of which were duly announced and notices of which were posted in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Law, Act 2005-40 (Act);

WHEREAS, the following persons were in attendance: Council Members Rich, Goolsby, Padgett, Johnson and Townsend. Council President Townsend presided over the meeting. Mayor William E. Cooper was present. City Attorney Rainer Cotter was present; and,

WHEREAS, during the course of said meeting, a motion was made by Council Member Johnson for the Council to go into Executive Session for the purpose of legal advice and counsel, reputation and character, security plans, and real estate transactions, all being one of the following purposes authorized by the Act:

- Reputation and Character
- Legal Advice and Counsel
- Security Plans
- State and/or Federal Law
- Law Enforcement
- Real Estate Transactions
- Trade Secrets
- Public Employee Negotiations
- Quasi-Judicial Deliberations

Which motion was seconded by Council Member Rich; and,

WHEREAS, the Attorney advised the Council that a declaration was required by the Act for an Executive Session if it was in regard to any of the following purposes:

- Legal Advice and Counsel
- Law Enforcement
- Trade Secrets
- Employee Negotiations

WHEREAS, Attorney Rainer Cotter appeared before the Council and stated for the record that he/she was duly qualified and/or had the personal knowledge to provide the requisite declaration for the stated purpose of the Executive Session authorized by the Act and informed the Council that an Executive Session was necessary for the following reason:

Discussion of issues requiring legal advice and counsel.

WHEREAS, the President directed the City Attorney to enter into said motion, purpose and declaration into the minutes of the meeting and called for a vote on said motion; and,


WHEREAS, said vote in regard to the motion for Executive Session was taken with the "yeas" and "nays" being recorded into the minutes as follows:

Yeas

Nays

1. Rich
2. Goolsby
3. Padgett
4. Johnson
5. Townsend

And the President declared that a majority of the votes being in favor of said motion, that such motion had therefore passed and the Council would forthwith recess into Executive Session at 5:25 p.m. for the purpose as stated in said motion and no other purpose, in accordance with the Act and reconvene in approximately 25 minutes.

By:   
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President

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Attorney

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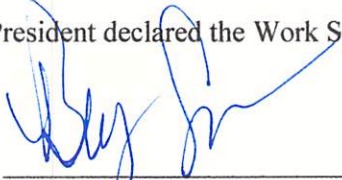
RECONVENE IN WORK SESSION

The Work Session was recessed into Executive Session at 5:25 p.m. and reconvened into Work Session at 5:55 p.m. after duly made motion and second with all Ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the President declared the Work Session adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

  
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Turner Townsend  
Council President

  
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Beverly Sweeney  
Interim City Clerk