Approved as presented to Council on 10/6/26.

MEETING MINUTES
September 15, 2026

The members of the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama met in a regularly scheduled Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 15, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at 5th Street South Youth Center, Phenix City, Alabama, 36867. Upon roll call, the following members of Council were present: Councilmember Vickey C. Green, Councilmember Steve Bailey, Councilmember Jasponica G. Florence, and Mayor Eddie N. Lowe. Councilmember Arthur L. Day, Jr., arrived at 6:50 p.m. Also present were City Manager Wallace Hunter, Assistant City Manager Chan Gamble, City Attorney Jimmy Graham and City Clerk Shannon Davis.

Upon a quorum being established, Mayor Lowe called the meeting to order.

Councilmember Florence delivered the invocation.

Councilmember Florence led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

Mayor Lowe presented the regularly scheduled meeting minutes of the August 31, 2026 Work Session Meeting and the September 1, 2026 Council Meeting for approval. Councilmember Green moved to approve the minutes, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Florence. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe stated there was no unfinished business to address at this time.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to budget transfers for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-274

Councilmember Florence moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Russell County Water Authority regarding the final reconciliation of outstanding water accounts.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-275

Councilmember Green moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to sign Contract Modification Number Three with Barry Davis Architects, P.C. to develop plans for the Phenix City Community Center located at 3940 U.S. Highway 431 South.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-276

Councilmember Florence moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Green. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to enter into an agreement with Sain Associates for professional services for Project No. STPPC-5721(253), resurfacing of 4th Avenue, Opelika Road and Seale Road.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-277

Councilmember Florence moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a Public Notice setting public hearing dates for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2026 Local Formula Solicitation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Councilmember Green moved to approve the public notice, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Florence. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama, authorizing the purchase of Real Property from Troy University, the Sale of Real Property to the Phenix City Board of Education, and authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to Execute Sales Contracts, Deeds, and all documents necessary to effectuate said transactions.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-278

Councilmember Florence moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe declared that now was the time and place for a public hearing in reference to the fixing of costs incurred by the City of Phenix City for the removal of substandard structures and the establishment of a special assessment upon the property located at 1420 10th Avenue. Ms. Carla Broadmax came forward to address Council. Ms. Broadmax inquired as to when they could pay the lien. Chief Building Official Ray Rogers stated that she could contact the City Clerk's Office in regards to the payment. Neither hearing nor seeing anyone else come forward, Mayor Lowe declared the hearing closed.

Mayor Lowe declared that now was the time and place for a public hearing in reference to the fixing of costs incurred by the City of Phenix City for the removal of substandard structures and the establishment of a special assessment upon the property located at 2410 17th Avenue. Neither hearing nor seeing anyone come forward, Mayor Lowe declared the hearing closed.

Mayor Lowe declared that now was the time and place for a public hearing in reference to the fixing of costs incurred by the City of Phenix City for the removal of substandard structures and the establishment of a special assessment upon the property located at 709 12th Avenue. Neither hearing nor seeing anyone come forward, Mayor Lowe declared the hearing closed.

Mayor Lowe declared that now was the time and place for a public hearing in reference to the fixing of costs incurred by the City of Phenix City for the removal of substandard structures and the establishment of a special assessment upon the property located at 1019 4th Street. Neither hearing nor seeing anyone come forward, Mayor Lowe declared the hearing closed.

Mayor Lowe declared that now was the time and place for a public hearing in reference to the fixing of costs incurred by the City of Phenix City for the removal of substandard structures and the establishment of a special assessment upon the property located at 1707 12th Avenue. Neither hearing nor seeing anyone come forward, Mayor Lowe declared the hearing closed.

Mayor Lowe presented Five Resolutions in reference to the fixing of costs incurred by the City of Phenix City for the removal of substandard structures and the establishment of a special assessment upon the properties located at:

1. 1420 10th Avenue

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-279

2. 2410 17th Avenue

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-280

3. 709 12th Avenue

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-281

4. 1019 4th Street

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-282

5. 1707 12th Avenue

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-283

Councilmember Florence moved to approve the resolutions, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented Three Resolutions and Public Notices in reference to setting public hearing dates and fixing demolitions costs associated with the following properties located in Phenix City:

1. 1108 20th Avenue South

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-284
Public Notice

2. 218 11th Avenue

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-285
Public Notice

3. 400 11th Avenue

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-286
Public Notice

Councilmember Green moved to approve the resolutions and Public Notices, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to accept a proposal from SiteMed Fire for the on-site annual firefighter physicals for the fire department personnel in an amount not to exceed $32,450.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-287

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Florence. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to amending the Phenix City Parks and Recreation Fee Schedule for the Lakewood Golf Course.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-288

Councilmember Green moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to making a one-time compensation of $1,000.00 to the Phenix City Youth Baseball Little League All Star Team to defray costs associated with the advancement to the 2026 Little League World Series.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-289

Councilmember Florence moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Day. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to hire Industrial Contracting Services & Maintenance, Inc. to replace an actuator for Filter 8 at the Water Filtration Plant in an estimated cost of $14,350.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-290

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe declared that now was the time and place for a public hearing in reference to an Ordinance to annex 1.62 +/- acres of land lying in section 30, Township18 North, Range 30 East, Lee County, Alabama into a C-4 Zone (Highway Commercial District) located at 20354 US Hwy 280 E Phenix City, Alabama, Timothy O. & Jene' J. Greer, Owners. Neither hearing nor seeing anyone else come forward, Mayor Lowe declared the hearing closed.

Mayor Lowe presented for second reading an Ordinance to annex 1.62 +/- acres of land lying in section 30, Township18 North, Range 30 East, Lee County, Alabama into a C-4 Zone (Highway Commercial District) located at 20354 US Hwy 280 E Phenix City, Alabama, Timothy O. & Jene' J. Greer, Owners.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-11

Councilmember Florence moved to approve the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe declared that now was the time and place for a public hearing in reference to an Ordinance to rezone 52+/- acres of land located on US Highway 280 East from an R-3 Zone (High Density Residential District) to a C-4 (Highway Commercial District), 5B, LLC, owner. Neither hearing nor seeing anyone else come forward, Mayor Lowe declared the hearing closed.

Mayor Lowe presented for second reading in reference to an Ordinance to rezone 52+/- acres of land located on US Highway 280 East from an R-3 Zone (High Density Residential District) to a C-4 (Highway Commercial District), 5B, LLC, owner.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-12

Councilmember Day moved to approve the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Green. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented for second reading an Ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Phenix City, Alabama, Chapter 38 – Health, Article II – Smoking in Public Places, Sec. 38-21 – Definitions.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-13

Councilmember Day moved to approve the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Florence. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented for second reading an Ordinance granting a Non-Exclusive Franchise to Troy Cablevision, Inc. for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a fiber-optic infrastructure network within the public rights-of-way within the City of Phenix City, Alabama.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-14

Councilmember Day moved to approve the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented an opening on the Improvement District - Brickyard Project. Mayor Lowe stated that current member, Bobby Crowe is willing to serve another term. Mayor Lowe called for a motion. Councilmember Day moved to reappoint Bobby Crowe, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Florence. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

City Attorney Jimmy Graham presented a claim against the City of Phenix City, filed by David Keske. Mr. Graham stated that the claim states that on May 22, 2026 Mr. Keske's passengers rear tire was damaged while traveling on Board Street when he struck a piece of metal while turning at the intersection. Mr. Graham stated that the inlet had previously been repaired and the City had no prior knowledge that the inlet was in need of any repair. Mr. Graham also stated that the inlet was outside of the curb line and vehicles should not be over the line. City Attorney Graham recommended to deny the claim. Councilmember Day moved to approve the City Attorney's recommendation to deny the claim, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe declared that now was the time and place for a public hearing in reference to an Ordinance granting a Non-Exclusive Franchise to Troy Cablevision, Inc. for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a fiber-optic infrastructure network within the public rights-of-way within the City of Phenix City, Alabama. Neither hearing nor seeing anyone else come forward, Mayor Lowe declared the hearing closed.

Councilmember Green encouraged attendance at the All Class Homecoming Tailgate Event that will take place on October 16, 2026 from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Councilmember Green stated that they want to support the school system for the homecoming and that there will be a

lot of food and good spirits. Councilmember Green stated that anyone interested can contact the Parks and Recreations Department.

Councilmember Day stated that he had the pleasure of attending the Central High School Beta Club Induction Ceremony for his grandson and stated that there were so many smart kids in the program. Councilmember Day also stated that he was very proud of them all. Councilmember Day further stated that the kids represent the kind of leadership that will one day be responsible for taking care of them.

Councilmember Day congratulated the 12U Phenix City Little League Championship for their hard work and dedication. Councilmember Day stated that he was very proud of their representation of Phenix City.

Mayor Lowe thanked everyone for attending. Mayor Lowe stated that they all a have an opportunity to make the community a better place. Mayor Lowe encouraged everyone to continue to do the right things for the right reasons. Mayor Lowe thanked CTV Beam for bringing the meeting to the Citizens. Mayor Lowe stated that they love the community and encouraged everyone to always think of others more than they do themselves.

There being no further business to address, the meeting thus adjourned until October 6, 2026.