APPROVED AS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL ON 11-17-26.

MEETING MINUTES
November 3, 2026

The members of the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama met in a regularly scheduled Council Meeting on Tuesday, November, 3, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at the Public Safety Building located at 1111 Broad Street, Phenix City, Alabama, 36867. Upon roll call, the following members of Council were present: Councilmember Arthur L. Day, Jr., Councilmember Vickey C. Green, Councilmember Steve Bailey, Councilmember Jasponica G. Florence, and Mayor Eddie N. Lowe. Also present were City Manager Wallace Hunter, City Attorney Jimmy Graham and City Clerk Shannon Davis.

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

Reverend Fred Wilks of Chapel Hill Baptist Church delivered the invocation.

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

City Manager Wallace Hunter and Human Resources Director Stephanie Chastain presented an employee service recognition to Zina Morris – 5 years, Quinterius Davis – 5 years, Brad Strickland – 10 years, and Kristina Goodson – 15 years.

Mayor Lowe presented a proclamation recognizing Head Start Preschool Awareness Month.

PROCLAMATION

Tracy Belt with Enrichment Services Program, Inc. came forward to accept the proclamation.

Mayor Lowe presented the regularly scheduled meeting minutes of the October 19, 2026 Work Session Meeting and the October 20, 2026 Council Meeting for approval. Councilmember Day moved to approve the minutes, 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 a resolution in reference to authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to enter in the Safe Streets for all (SS4A) Grant Agreement with the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-324

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 Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to directing the Mayor and City Manager to enter into an agreement with Sain Associates, Inc to provide professional services associated with permitting for Norfolk Southern Railroad.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-325

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 presented a resolution in reference to authorizing a one-time longevity payment for employees in gratitude of their time serving the citizens of Phenix City.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-326

Councilmember Green 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 a one-time compensation for fulltime employees.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-327

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 a one-time compensation for retirees, pensioners and beneficiaries.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-328

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 authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to sign a contract with Pyrotecnico Fireworks, Inc. for a fireworks display at the Phenix City Amphitheatre on December 10, 2026 in an amount not to exceed $18,000.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-329

Councilmember Bailey 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 Day, 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, City Manager, and Todd Hughes, as the Parks and Recreation Director, as authorizing officials to sign the agreement with RCX Sports that allows Parks and Recreation to use RCX Sports and the Jr. NBA League.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-330

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 the purchase of eight (8) 2026 Ford Explorer Patrol vehicles under State Contract T191L from Stivers Ford Lincoln, Montgomery, Alabama, in an amount not to exceed $510,080.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-331

Councilmember Green 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 authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to accept a proposal from USALCO, for Decision Blue Software in an amount not to exceed $16,000.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-332

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 awarding a bid to C&S Chemicals for Aluminum Sulfate in the amount of $0.229/dry lb.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-333

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 Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to awarding a bid to PolyTec, for Lime Slurry in the amount of $0.0843/lb.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-334

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 awarding a bid to USALCO, for Polyaluminumchloride in the amount of $0.22/wet lb.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-335

Councilmember Day 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 Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to awarding a bid to Polydyne for Dry Polymer in the amount of $1.90/lb. dry.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-336

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 awarding a bid to Polydyne for Liquid Polymer in the amount of $3.154/lb. active.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-337

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 presented a resolution in reference to awarding a bid to BRENNTAG, for Chlorine in the amount of $1,844.00/ton.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-338

Councilmember Green 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 awarding a bid to Dubois for Granular Soda Ash in the amount of $0. 295/dry lb.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-339

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 Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to awarding a bid to BRENNTAG for Sulfur Dioxide in the amount of $2,520.00/ton.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-340

Councilmember Day 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 Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to accepting the lowest responsible bid from THORNTON, MUSSO & BELLEMIN, Inc for Copper Sulfate, in an amount not to exceed $1.14/per wet lb. through September 30, 2027.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-341

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 Day, Green, Bailey, Florence, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus passed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to awarding a bid to USALCO for Zinc Orthophosphate, in an amount of $1.165/wet lb. through September 30, 2027.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-342

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 presented an opening on the Personnel Review Board. Councilmember Florence moved to table the appointment, 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 for first reading an application for a Bonding Company License submitted by Daryl Guess Bail Bonding, LLC located at 361 Lee Road 419 Opelika, AL 36869. Councilmember Day moved to place the application on first reading, 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 first reading an application for an Off-Premise Beer, Off-Premise Wine, Licenses submitted by Sai Bhumi Inc. dba Heap Cheap Mini Mart located at 612

Fontaine Rd Phenix City, AL 36869. Councilmember Green moved to place the application on first reading, 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 an Itemized Statement of Expense for Kerrie Jones in the total amount of $123.12. Councilmember Day moved to approve the Itemized Statement of Expense in the total amount of $123.12, 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 Scott Balkcum. City Attorney Graham stated that the Mr. Balkcum' s claim states the City is responsible for damage to his landscaping in the southeast corner of his yard due to a contractor hired by the City that removed plants to replace a storm water pipe. Mr. Mr. Graham also stated that that Alabama Law states that the City is not responsible for anything placed in the easement by a citizen. 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.

City Manager Wallace Hunter thanked the employees of the City for all of their hard work and continued dedication.

Mayor Lowe thanked everyone for attending today's meeting. Mayor Lowe encouraged everyone to exercise their right to vote. Mayor Lowe also encouraged everyone to show compassion for one another and learn how not to be part of the problem but the solution. Mayor Lowe thanked CTV Beam for bringing the meeting to the Citizens.

There being no further business to address, the meeting thus adjourned until November 17, 2026.