

**WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
June 20, 2023**

The members of the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama met at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time for the regularly scheduled Work Session on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at the Martin Idle Hour Park Community Center located at 3743 Moon Lake Drive, Phenix City, Alabama 36867. Upon roll call, the following members were present: Councilmember Arthur L. Day, Jr., Councilmember Vickey F. Carter, Councilmember Steve Bailey, Councilmember R. Griff Gordy, and Mayor Eddie N. Lowe. Also present were City Manager Wallace Hunter, City Attorney Jimmy Graham, and City Clerk Melony Lee. Department Heads in attendance: Deputy Building Official Ray Rogers, Economic Development Specialist Jennifer Lowman, Assistant Director of Engineering Mike Pattillo, City Planner Terry Curry, Finance Director Labrita King-Copeland, IT Manager Mike Bauer, Fire Chief Kris Kennedy, Library Director Tammy Henry, Municipal Court Clerk Ruby White, Parks and Recreation Director Todd Hughes, Chief of Police, Ray Smith, Assistant Chief of Police George Staudinger, and Graduate Engineer John Spraggins.

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

Councilmember Carter led the invocation.

Mayor Lowe called upon Brian Rutledge of Robinson, Grimes and Company to address Council, as listed on the agenda. Mr. Rutledge came forward to address Council. Mr. Rutledge reviewed the Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year that ended on 09/30/2021. Mayor Lowe thanked Mr. Rutledge for coming to speak with Council.

Mayor Lowe called upon Terry Curry, City Planner, to discuss the actions taken by the Planning Commission at their June 13, 2023 meeting.

Mayor Lowe called upon City Clerk Melony Lee who discussed the following with Mayor and Council:

1. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on June 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Activity Center.
2. Informed Council that Councilmember Carter will hold a meeting for District Two residents prior to the regular scheduled Council Meeting on June 21, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. at the Central Activity Center.
3. Advised Council that the Budget Work Session will be held on Thursday, June 22, 2023 beginning at 8:30 a.m. located at the 3rd Floor Conference Room in the Municipal Building.
4. Advised Council that the Mayor's VIP Reception for the Mayor's Ball contributors will be held on Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Martin Idle Hour Park Community Center.
5. Advised Council that the Mayor's Ball will be held on Saturday, June 24, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Columbus Convention and Trade Center in Columbus Georgia.
6. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.
7. Advised Council that the Open House/Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Public Safety Building will be on Friday, June 30, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
8. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Work Session to be held on Monday, July 3, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. at the Public Safety Building.

9. Informed Council that due to the July 4th Holiday the regular scheduled Council Meeting will be held on Monday, July 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the Public Safety Building.
10. Informed Council that the City Offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, 2023 and Wednesday, July 5, 2023 in observance of 4th of July Holiday.
11. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.
12. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Work Session to be held on Monday, July 17, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Building.
13. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the Public Safety Building.
14. Advised Council that the (DRA) Downtown Redevelopment Authority will meet on Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.
15. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.
16. Advised Council that the Alabama League of Municipalities CMO Regional Training will be held on July 27, 2023 in Montgomery, Alabama.
17. Informed Council that the Mayor's Ball Scholarship Award Night will be held on Thursday, July 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Martin Idle Hour Park Community Center.
18. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Work Session Meeting to be held on Monday, July 31, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Building.
19. Reviewed upcoming board appointments.

Councilmember Carter thanked Police Chief Ray Smith for attending the District Two Meeting to discuss safety with the Citizens.

Mayor Lowe went over the agenda items.

City Attorney Jimmy Graham stated that there were no agenda claims to review with Council.

Mayor Lowe stated that there being nothing further to discuss, the meeting adjourned until 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 3, 2023.