

WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
August 14, 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 Monday, August 14, 2023, in the Council Chambers located within the Public Safety Building at 1111 Broad Street, 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, Assistant City Manager Chan Gamble, City Clerk Melony Lee and City Attorney Jimmy Graham. Department Heads in attendance: Building Official Ray Rogers, City Engineer Angel Moore, Economic Development Manager Shaun Culligan, City Planner Terry Curry, IT Manager Mike Bauer, Fire Chief Kris Kennedy, Golf Manager Mike Barber, Library Director Tammy Henry, Municipal Court Clerk Ruby White, Parks and Recreation Director Todd Hughes, Human Resource Director Stephanie Chastain, Police Captain Joseph Weierick, Public Safety Director Ray Smith, and Utilities Director Charles Woody.

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

Councilmember Day led the invocation.

Mayor Lowe called upon Terry Curry, City Planner, to discuss the actions taken by the Planning Commission at their August 8, 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 Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the Public Safety Building.
2. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.
3. Informed Council that City Offices will be closed on Monday September 4, 2023 in observance of Labor Day Holiday.
4. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Work Session to be held on September 5, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Building. This meeting will be held on a Tuesday afternoon due to the Labor Day Holiday.
5. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on September 6, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the Public Safety Building. This meeting will be held on a Wednesday morning due to the Labor Day Holiday.
6. Informed Council that the third District Congressional Luncheon will be held on September 7, 2023 11:30 CST.
7. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.
8. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Work Session to be held on Monday, September 18, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Building.
9. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the 5th Street South Youth Center.
10. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.
11. Reviewed upcoming board appointments.

Mayor Lowe went over the agenda items.

City Attorney Jimmy Graham reviewed the claims with Council.

City Attorney Jimmy Graham recommended tabling one resolution on the August 15, 2023 Council Meeting agenda. City Attorney Graham stated that it was the resolution in reference to the Indemnification Agreement – ASH - Evermore Homes of GA, LLC - future owners of 10 Red Maple Street. City Attorney Graham also stated that there were additional documents and information that needed to be included in the proposed resolution.

Mayor Lowe asked to go into Executive Session to discuss Economic Development for one hour, from which the meeting would adjourn.

Councilmember Day moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Economic Development for one hour. Councilmember Carter seconded said motion. All were in favor.

Council went into Executive Session at 3:48 p.m.

Council came out of Executive Session at 4:44 p.m.

Mayor Lowe stated that there being nothing further to discuss, the meeting adjourned until 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 5, 2023.