

WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

August 17, 2026

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 17, 2026, 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 Steve Bailey, Councilmember Jasponica G. Florence, and Mayor Eddie N. Lowe. Councilmember Vickey Carter Green was not present. Also present were City Manager Wallace Hunter, Assistant City Manager Chan Gamble, City Clerk Shannon Davis, and City Attorney Jimmy Graham. Department Heads in attendance: Chief Building Official Ray Rogers, Economic Development Manager Shaun Culligan, Engineering/Public Works Director Angel Moore, Fire Chief Kristen Kennedy, Human Resource Director Stephanie Chastain, IT Director Mike Bauer, Municipal Court Clerk Ruby White, Director of Parks and Recreation Todd Hughes, Chief of Police Jospeh Weierick, and Director of Utilities John Spraggins. City Professionals in attendance: Licensed Engineer Chris Casey.

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

Councilmember Day led the invocation.

Mayor Lowe advised that there were no Requests to Address Council.

Mayor Lowe called upon Engineering/Public Works Director Angel Moore to discuss the actions taken at the Planning Commission Meeting for August 11, 2026.

Mayor Lowe called upon City Clerk Shannon Davis who discussed the following with Mayor and Council:

1. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at the Public Safety Building.
2. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, August 25, 2026 at 5:15 p.m.
3. Informed Council of the Retirement Ceremony for Corporal Mike Harrison and Angela Harrison to be held on Friday, August 28, 2026 at the Martin Idle Hour Park Community Center.
4. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Work Session to be held on Monday, August 31, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Building.
5. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at the Public Safety Building.
6. Advised Council that the City Offices will be closed on Monday, September 7, 2026 in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.
7. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 5:15 p.m.
8. Informed Council of the National Infantry Museum Event to be held on Friday, September 11, 2026.
9. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Work Session to be held on Monday, September 14, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Building.
10. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the 5th Street South Youth Center.

11. Advised Council that the Downtown Redevelopment Authority will meet on Thursday, October 15, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.
12. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, September 22, 2026 at 5:15 p.m.
13. Informed Council of the upcoming Board Appointments.

Councilmember Florence inquired about the changes for the Merit System Rules and Regulations Section 4:16-C. City Manager Wallace Hunter provided an overview of the changes and explained the benefits for employees.

Councilmember Day inquired as to if ICE – U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement had been in contact with the Phenix City Police Department. Chief of Police Josphe Weierick stated that while he is aware that they have been in contact with the Columbus Police Department, they had not contacted his department.

Mayor Lowe went over the agenda items.

Councilmember Day moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Pending Ligation for 30 minutes, from which the meeting would adjourn. Councilmember Florence seconded said motion. All were in favor.

Council went into Executive Session at 3:43 p.m.

Council came out of Executive Session at 4:14 p.m.

Mayor Lowe stated that there being no further business to address, the meeting thus adjourned until August 31, 2026.