

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD SEPTEMBER 17, 2024**

10:20 a.m. - The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 400 19th Street West, Jasper.

Present: Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short, Councilmembers Danny Gambrell and Jennifer W. Smith, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless, City Attorney Russ Robertson

Absent: Mayor David P. O'Mary, Councilmember Gary Cowen, Councilmember Willie Moore, III

Invocation: Police Chief J.C. Poe

Pledge of Allegiance: Assistant Police Chief Paul Tucker

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Smith that the minutes of the regular meeting September 10, 2024, be approved.

Vote

Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Consider amendments to the agenda. There were no amendments to the agenda.

Consider approval of the agenda.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell that the agenda be approved.

Vote

Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Consider a request for approval of travel for Lt. Chuck Henderson to attend an ethics training class on September 19, 2024, in Stapleton, AL. Police Chief J.C. Poe clarified that it will be overnight travel, September 19-20, 2024.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Smith to approve overnight travel for Lt. Chuck Henderson to attend an ethics training class on September 19-20, 2024, in Stapleton, AL.

Vote

Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to allow Mayor O’Mary to enter into an agreement with Sain Associates, Inc. for traffic signal design and engineering services for the intersection of Arkadelphia Road at Airport Road.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt a Resolution to allow Mayor O’Mary to enter into an agreement with Sain Associates, Inc. for traffic signal design and engineering services for the intersection of Arkadelphia Road at Airport Road.

Vote

Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

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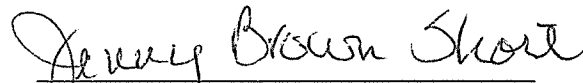
RESOLUTION NO: 2024 - 55

WHEREAS, the City of Jasper intends to accept the proposal submitted by Sain Associates for traffic signal design plans for the intersection of Arkadelphia Road and Airport Road; and

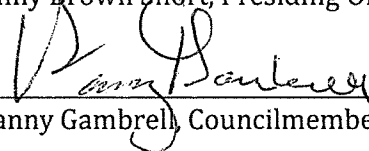
WHEREAS, Sain Associates will include a survey and traffic signal design in their scope of services for a proposed fee of \$18,000 (fixed fee).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor David P. O'Mary is authorized to enter into an agreement with Sain Associates for traffic signal design plans for the intersection of Arkadelphia Road and Airport Road

ADOPTED this the 17th day of September 2024.

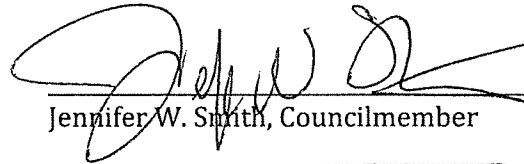


Jenny Brown Short, Presiding Officer



Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

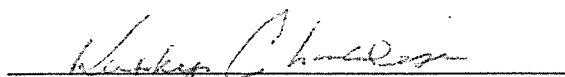
Gary Cowen, Councilmember



Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

Willie Moore, III, Councilmember

ATTEST:


Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Consider adoption of a Resolution to allow Mayor O'Mary to enter into an on-call agreement with Sain Associates, Inc. to provide engineering support services.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt a Resolution to allow Mayor O'Mary to enter into an on-call agreement with Sain Associates, Inc. to provide engineering support services.

Vote

Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

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RESOLUTION NO.: 2024 - 56

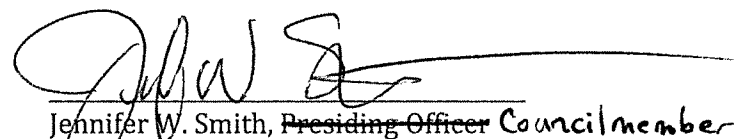
WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, desires to have an engineering firm perform engineering support services on an as-needed basis; and

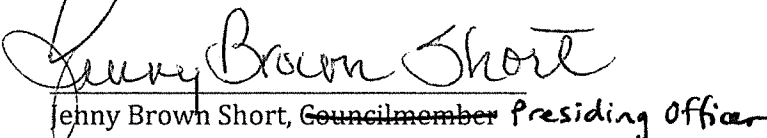
WHEREAS, Sain Associates, Inc. is qualified to do business in the State of Alabama and has agreed to provide engineering support services to the City of Jasper; and

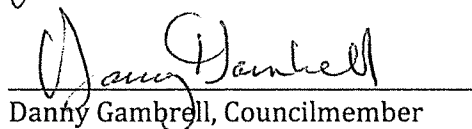
WHEREAS, the City of Jasper and Sain Associates, Inc. desire to enter into an Agreement under which Sain Associates, Inc. shall provide professional engineering support services on an on-needed basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that Mayor David P. O'Mary is hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Jasper and Sain Associates, Inc.

ADOPTED this the 17th day of September 2024.


Jennifer W. Smith, ~~Presiding Officer~~ Councilmember

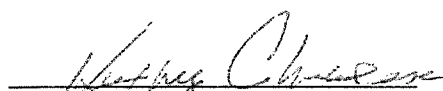

Jenny Brown Short, ~~Councilmember~~ Presiding Officer


Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

Gary Cowen, Councilmember

Willie Moore, III, Councilmember

ATTEST:


Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Consider adoption of Budget Amendment #2023/2024-16.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt Budget Amendment #2023/2024-16.

Vote

Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Consider adoption of the 2024/2025 Budget.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt the 2024-2025 Budget. Upon having no second to the motion, Presiding Officer Short announced the item would be tabled until the next regular meeting on October 1, 2024.

Comments: Councilmember Smith thanked the city employees, volunteers, and all who helped with the Foothills Festival over the weekend.

A few city department heads questioned if delaying the approval of the budget would delay employee raises. After some discussion on how the pay period would fall and the possibility of Presiding Officer Short seconding a motion, Councilmember Smith asked that the budget approval be considered again. Presiding Officer Short then revisited the approval of the 2024/2025 budget.

Consider adoption of the 2024/2025 Budget.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt the 2024/2025 Budget.

Vote

Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Consider adjournment of the meeting.

Motion

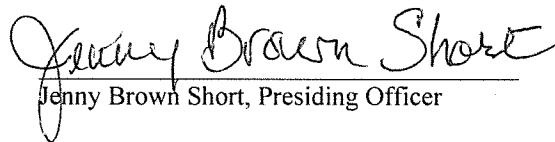
Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adjourn the meeting.

Vote

Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

10:38 a.m. – Meeting adjourned.

A P P R O V E D:



Jenny Brown Short, Presiding Officer

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Kathy Chambliss, City Clerk/Administrator

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