

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD OCTOBER 15, 2024**

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10:00 a.m. - The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 400 19<sup>th</sup> Street West, Jasper.

**Present:** Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short, Councilmembers Gary Cowen, Jennifer W. Smith, and Willie Moore, III, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless, Attorney Jud Allen

**Absent:** Mayor David P. O’Mary, Councilmember Danny Gambrell, City Attorney Russ Robertson

**Invocation:** City Planner Brent McCarver

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Fire Chief Dante Fields

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Smith that the minutes of the regular meeting October 1, 2024, be approved.

**Vote**

Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Absent
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
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 Moore that the agenda be approved.

**Vote**

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

**Consider approval of an event permit for Fall Fest presented by various local churches, October 27, 2024, in downtown Jasper with road blockages around the courthouse square.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to approve an event permit for Fall Fest presented by various local churches, October 27, 2024, in downtown Jasper with road blockages around the courthouse square.

**Vote**

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

**Conduct a public hearing and consider approval of a Retail Wine License, for on and off premise consumption and a Retail Beer License, for on and off premise consumption for Sakura Asian Cuisine LLC d/b/a Sakura Asian Cuisine, located at 300 Hwy 78 W. After no comments were made during the public hearing, a motion was considered.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to approve a Retail Wine License, for on and off premise consumption and a Retail Beer License, for on and off premise consumption for Sakura Asian Cuisine LLC d/b/a Sakura Asian Cuisine, located at 300 Hwy 78 W

**Vote**

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

**Conduct a public hearing and consider approval of a Retail Beer License, for off premise consumption for AZN Investment 2 LLC d/b/a RJs 1 Mart, located at 1206 Hwy 69 S. After no comments were made during the public hearing, a motion was considered.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to approve a Retail Beer License, for off premise consumption for AZN Investment 2 LLC d/b/a RJs 1 Mart, located at 1206 Hwy 69 S.

**Vote**

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

**Consider a request for permission to send bids for fencing at the Percy Goode pickleball courts.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Smith to approve a request for permission to send bids for fencing at the Percy Goode pickleball courts.

**Vote**

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

**Consider adoption of Budget Amendment #2024/2025-01.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to adopt Budget Amendment #2024/2025-01.

**Vote**

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

**Introduce Budget Amendment #2024/2025-02.** The budget amendment was introduced by the City Clerk and will be considered at the next council meeting.

**Consider adoption of a Resolution authorizing Mayor O'Mary to enter into an agreement with ALDOT for preliminary engineering and construction for sidewalk improvements along 2nd Ave. from 18th St. to 17th St., along 17th St. from 3rd Ave. to west of 1st Ave., to include a pedestrian bridge, and along 3rd Ave. from 17th St. to Panther Trail Rd. for Transportation Alternatives (TAP) project no. TAPAA-TA25(908).**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor O'Mary to enter into an agreement with ALDOT for preliminary engineering and construction for sidewalk improvements along 2nd Ave. from 18th St. to 17th St., along 17th St. from 3rd Ave. to west of 1st Ave., to include a pedestrian bridge, and along 3rd Ave. from 17th St. to Panther Trail Rd. for Transportation Alternatives (TAP) project no. TAPAA-TA25(908).

**Vote**

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

(See following page)

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2024 – 60

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Jasper as follows:

That the City enter into an agreement with the State of Alabama, acting by and through the Alabama Department of Transportation relating to a project for:


**Sidewalk improvements along 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. from 18<sup>th</sup> St. to 17<sup>th</sup> St., along 17<sup>th</sup> St. from 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. to west of 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. to include a pedestrian bridge, and along 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. from 17<sup>th</sup> St. to Panther Trail Rd.; Project# TAPAA-TA25(908); CPME Ref# 100079545 and 100079546.**

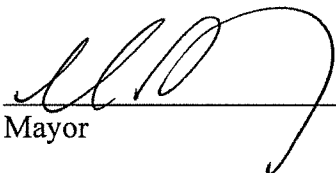
Which agreement is before this Council, and that the agreement be executed in the name of the City, by the Mayor for and on its behalf and that it be attested by the City Clerk and the official seal of the City be affixed thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the completion of the execution of the agreement by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City.

I, the undersigned qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Jasper, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a resolution lawfully passed and adopted by the City named therein, at a regular meeting of such Council held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024, and that such resolution is on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

ATTESTED:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024, and that such resolution is of record in the Minute Book of the City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

  
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City Clerk

(AFFIX SEAL)

**Consider accepting property from Jasper Waterworks & Sewer Board, Inc.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Smith to accept property from Jasper Waterworks & Sewer Board, Inc.

**Vote**

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

**Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of a resolution to set cost for nuisance abatement.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt a resolution to set the cost for multiple nuisance abatements.

**Vote**

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

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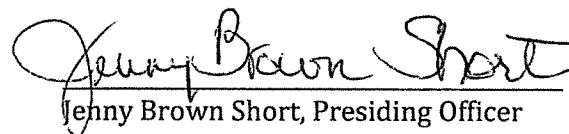
**RESOLUTION NO: 2024 - 61**

**WHEREAS**, the Jasper City Council has held a cost hearing on the abatement of nuisances on the following properties as presented in Exhibit "Cost Hearing Report 10/15/24" attached and made a part of this resolution;

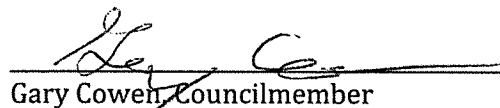
**WHEREAS**, the Jasper City Council has affixed the costs associated with and incurred by the City of Jasper, Alabama as presented in Exhibit "Cost Hearing Report 10/15/24" attached and made a part of this resolution;

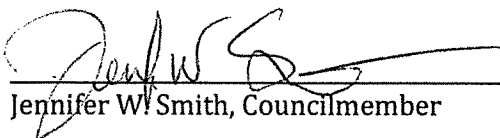
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Jasper City Council hereby adopts and approves the setting of said cost of abatement of said properties.

**ADOPTED** this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024.

  
Jenny Brown Short, Presiding Officer

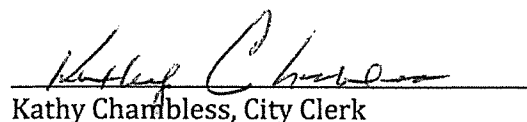
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Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

  
Gary Cowen, Councilmember

  
Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

  
Willie Moore, III, Councilmember

**ATTEST:**

  
Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

**COST HEARING REPORT  
10/15/24**

**1107 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. (David & Michelle Pearson), District Four**

\$5,968.00		Removal of Unsafe Structure
25.00		Administrative Fees
\$5,993.00		<b>Total</b>

**1107 Hwy 69 South (Dwight Livingston), District Five**

\$3,042.00		Removal of Unsafe Structure
25.00		Administrative Fees
\$3,067.00		<b>Total</b>

**1701 Williams St. (Worship Life International), District Five**

\$2,152.00		Removal of Unsafe Structure
25.00		Administrative Fees
\$2,177.00		<b>Total</b>

**812 31<sup>st</sup> St W. (Naomi Brothers), District Five**

\$3,360.00		Removal of Unsafe Structure
25.00		Administrative Fees
\$3,385.00		<b>Total</b>

**1107 21<sup>st</sup> St W. (Dasi Tucker), District Five**

\$9,832.00		Removal of Unsafe Structure
25.00		Administrative Fees
\$9,857.00		<b>Total</b>



**Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of an Ordinance rezoning a 1 acre+- parcel of land located at 1007 N Airport Rd, Jasper, Al from the B-2 (Commercial) Zoning District to the R-1 (Single Family Residential) Zoning District to correct the zoning following a division of a single parcel into 2 new parcels. (District Two). After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to adopt an Ordinance rezoning a 1 acre+- parcel of land located at 1007 N Airport Rd, Jasper, Al from the B-2 (Commercial) Zoning District to the R-1 (Single Family Residential) Zoning District to correct the zoning following a division of a single parcel into 2 new parcels.

**Vote**

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

(See following pages)

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA  
Ordinance No. 2024 – 12  
TO AMEND THE CITY OF JASPER ZONING ORDINANCE

Be it hereby Ordained by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, as follows:

**Section 1: Definition.**

That the Jasper Zoning Map as described in Article II, Sections 30-32, of the Jasper Zoning Ordinance, which was adopted by the City Council of the City of Jasper on or about January 2, 1990, and amended, inter alia, and further amended April 1, 2003, be and is hereby amended by the rezoning or redistricting of the parcel(s) of land hereinafter described so as to change such parcel(s) from one class or district to another class or district, to wit:

**From B-2 (Commercial) Zoning District to the R-1 (Single Family Residential) Zoning District to correct the zoning following a division of a single parcel into 2 new parcels at 1007 N. Airport Rd.**

**Section 2: Said parcel is described as follows:**

A parcel of land located in parts of the NE1/4 of the NW1/4 and the SE1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 3, Township 14 South, Range 07 West, Walker County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows.

COMMENCE at the southwest corner of said NE1/4-NW1/4 and run S 88° 46' 43" E, along the south line of said NE1/4-NW1/4, a distance of 12.21', to a point on the northeasterly right-of-way of Airport Road and the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N 07°04'21" W, leaving said 1/4 – 1/4 line and along said northeasterly right-of-way, a distance of 59.50', to the intersection of said northeasterly right-of-way of Airport Road and the southwesterly right-of-way of 11 Street NE; thence S 82°53'21" E, along said southwesterly right-of-way of 11 Street NE, a distance of 139.64', to a 5/8" rebar; thence S 00°43'22" W, leaving said right-of-way, a distance of 236.88', to a 1" open pipe; thence S 88°00'13" W, a distance of 112.03', to a 5/8" rebar and a point on the northeasterly right-of-way of said Airport Road; thence the following bearings and distances along said northeasterly right-of-way of Airport Road: N 03°29'36" W, a distance of 62.50', to a 5/8 rebar; thence N 04°27'55" W, a distance of 107.04'; thence N 07°53'13" W, a distance of 30.19', to the point of beginning.

SAID PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINS 0.70 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

Parcel Numbers 64-17-02-03-2-000-078.001, and 64-17-02-03-2-000-078.002.

**Section 3: Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication in the manner required by law.

**DONE and ORDAINED** this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
JASPER, ALABAMA

BY: Jenny Brown Short  
Hon. Jenny Brown Short  
Council Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

BY: Kathy Chambless  
Hon. Kathy Chambless  
City Clerk

APPROVED/VETO

BY: David P. O'Mary  
Hon. David P. O'Mary  
Mayor

**Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of an Ordinance rezoning a .25 acre+- parcel of land located at 830 Hillsdale Rd, Jasper, Al from the B-2 (Commercial) Zoning District to the AG (Agriculture) Zoning District to correct zoning following a division of a single parcel into two new parcels. (District 3)** After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt an Ordinance rezoning .25 acre+- parcel of land located at 830 Hillsdale Rd, Jasper, Al from the B-2 (Commercial) Zoning District to the AG (Agriculture) Zoning District to correct zoning following a division of a single parcel into two new parcels.

**Vote**

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

(See following pages)

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA  
Ordinance No. 2024 – 13  
TO AMEND THE CITY OF JASPER ZONING ORDINANCE

Be it hereby Ordained by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, as follows:

**Section 1: Definition.**

That the Jasper Zoning Map as described in Article II, Sections 30-32, of the Jasper Zoning Ordinance, which was adopted by the City Council of the City of Jasper on or about January 2, 1990, and amended, inter alia, and further amended April 1, 2003, be and is hereby amended by the rezoning or redistricting of the parcel(s) of land hereinafter described so as to change such parcel(s) from one class or district to another class or district, to wit:

**From B-2 (Business District) to AG (Agricultural District) to allow for possible future division of parcel with residence at 830 Hillsdale Rd. - .25 acre.**

**Section 2: Said parcel is described as follows:**

A part of Lot 2 in Block 10 of the Bankhead Farmsteads as shown in Map Book 1 at page 96 in the office of the Judge of Probate of Walker County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows:

Begin at the Southeast corner of said Lot 2, said point of a 2" capped pipe, and run N 18°43'33" E, along the East boundary of said Lot 2, for a distance of 1438.37', to a 2" capped pipe on the southerly right-of-way of Hillsdale Road; thence run N 76°28'58" W, along the said southerly right-of-way, for a distance of 510.15', to a capped iron; thence run S 13°31'55" W for a distance of 417.51', to a capped iron; thence run N 76°42'48" W for a distance of 209.79', to a roof bolt corner located on the Easterly right-of-way of Alabama Highway 195; thence run S 13°35'42" W along said Easterly right-of-way for a distance of 580.29'; thence run S 76°18'28" E for a distance of 120.00'; thence run S 08°22'37" E for a distance of 295.00'; thence run N 78°26'42" W for a distance of 231.00', to a capped iron and a point on said Easterly right-of-way of Alabama Highway 195; thence run S 13°37'36" W, along said Easterly right-of-way for a distance of 298.50', to a capped iron; thence run N 89°35'26" E for a distance of 609.60', to the point of beginning, said parcel contains an area of 19.41 acres.

Parcel Number 64-10-08-28-0-000-094.000.

**Section 3: Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication in the manner required by law.

**DONE and ORDAINED** this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
JASPER, ALABAMA

BY: Jenny Brown Short  
Hon. Jenny Brown Short  
Council Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

BY: Kathy Chambless  
Hon. Kathy Chambless  
City Clerk

APPROVED/VETO

By: David P. O'Mary  
Hon. David P. O'Mary  
Mayor

**Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of an Ordinance rezoning a .45 acre+- parcel of land located at 2300 Gamble Ave Jasper, Al from the BT (Business Transition) Zoning District to the R-3 (Affordable Residential Housing) Zoning District to place a manufactured home on the parcel. (District Five) After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt an Ordinance rezoning a .45 acre+- parcel of land located at 2300 Gamble Ave Jasper, Al from the BT (Business Transition) Zoning District to the R-3 (Affordable Residential Housing) Zoning District to place a manufactured home on the parcel.

**Vote**

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

(See following pages)

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA  
Ordinance No. 2024 – 14  
TO AMEND THE CITY OF JASPER ZONING ORDINANCE

Be it hereby Ordained by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, as follows:

**Section 1: Definition.**

That the Jasper Zoning Map as described in Article II, Sections 30-32, of the Jasper Zoning Ordinance, which was adopted by the City Council of the City of Jasper on or about January 2, 1990, and amended, inter alia, and further amended April 1, 2003, be and is hereby amended by the rezoning or redistricting of the parcel(s) of land hereinafter described so as to change such parcel(s) from one class or district to another class or district, to wit:

**From BT (Transition Business District) to R-3 (Affordable Housing District) to allow for the placement of a mobile home at 2300 Gamble Ave. The lot parcel is 104'x140'.**

**Section 2: Said parcel is described as follows:**

Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 551, as shown by Map of Jasper, compiled by L.C. Britton, Engineer, recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Walker County, Alabama, at Map Book 1, Page 38. Minerals and mining rights and privileges excepted.

Source of Title: Deed Book 2215, Page 100 in the Probate Office of Walker County, Alabama.

This conveyance, however, is subject to the following:

- A. Ad valorem taxes due October 1, 2022, which the Grantee agrees to pay.
- B. Any valid adverse title as to minerals, oil or mining rights, easements or rights-of-way, covenants running with the land, encroachments, or other matters or defects shown by a survey of the property herein conveyed

Parcel Number 64-17-05-15-2-204-018.000.



**Section 3: Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication in the manner required by law.

**DONE and ORDAINED** this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
JASPER, ALABAMA

BY: Jenny Brown Short  
Hon. Jenny Brown Short  
Council Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

BY: Kathy Chambless  
Hon. Kathy Chambless  
City Clerk

APPROVED/VETO ( )  
BY: David P. O'Mary  
Hon. David P. O'Mary  
Mayor

**Recognize J.T. Chatman concerning a nuisance abatement.**

Mr. Chatman addressed the council to ask them for an extension of time allowed for him to make improvements to his property at 2911 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. He has been unable to complete renovations due to illness in his family.

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Smith to extend the time allowed for property improvements by 6 months.

**Vote**

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

**Consider appointment of a President Pro-Tempore.** Councilmember Smith nominated Councilmember Gary Cowen for President Pro-Tempore.

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moore to close the nominations.

**Vote**

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

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moore to appoint Councilmember Gary Cowen for President Pro-Tempore.

**Vote**

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

**Comments: No comments were made.**

**Consider adjournment of the meeting.**

**Motion**

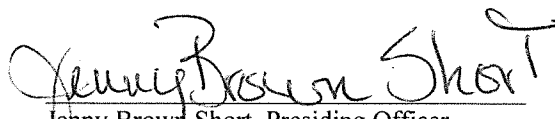
Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote**

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

10:15 a.m. – Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

  
Jenny Brown Short, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

  
Kathy Chambless, City Clerk/Administrator

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