The City Council of the City of Auburn, Alabama, met in regular session on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 6:04 PM in the Council Chamber of the Auburn Public Safety Building at 141 North Ross Street.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**. Mayor Anders.

Mayor Anders called the meeting to order.

2. **ROLL CALL.**

The following Councilmembers were present: Tyler Adams, Max Coblentz, Tommy Dawson, Kelley Griswold, Sonny Moreman, Bob Parsons, Connie Taylor, Beth Witten, and Mayor Ron Anders. Absent: None. Also present was City Manager Megan McGowen Crouch.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE.**

Mayor Anders invited all present to stand and join the Council in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and in observing a moment of silence after the Pledge.

4. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS.** Mayor Anders.

a. Committee of the Whole.

Mayor Anders stated that at the Committee of the Whole previously held the Council approved the minutes from the July 2 Committee of the Whole meeting and nominated individuals to serve on the Planning Commission.

b. Announcements.

Mayor Anders thanked various groups for hosting him over the last two weeks and provided a preview of the events he will attend in the coming days.

Councilmember Taylor asked if the National Night Out event on August 7 is the same one that is at the Housing Authority.

Public Safety Executive Director Will Mathews said the events are separate this year.

Councilmember Moreman said the Sales Tax Holiday is coming up and said parking is free downtown during the tax holiday weekend.

5. **AUBURN UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATIONS.**

AU SGA Assistant Vice President of External Affairs Abbie Hathcock updated the Council about events at Auburn University.

6. **CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS.**

Chuck Hemard (315 Lee Rd 25) spoke about his annexation request.

7. **CITY MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS**. City Manager Crouch.

a. Board vacancy announcement. Greenspace Advisory Board. One (1) position. Term begins August 8, 2024, and ends August 7, 2028. Appointment August 6, 2024.

City Manager Crouch announced a vacancy on the Greenspace Advisory Board.

8. **CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA.**

City Manager Crouch asked if any items should be removed from the consent agenda for discussion.

8. **CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA (cont).**

Councilmember Moreman removed item 8b(3) from the consent agenda.

Councilmember Witten moved that the items on the consent agenda be adopted.
Councilmember Coblentz seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

a. Minutes. July 2, 2024. **APPROVED**

b. Contracts and agreements.

(1) Alabama Office Supply LLP. Purchase furniture, fixtures, and equipment for the Lake Wilmore Community Center. $89,244.33. **Resolution No. 24-130**

(2) Auburn AV. Purchase and installation of AV equipment. Lake Wilmore Community Center. $102,962. **Resolution No. 24-131**

(3) Foresite Group, LLC. Professional Services Agreement. Beehive Road Widening Project. $72,300.

This item was removed from the consent agenda.

(4) Machen McChesney. Independent Audit. $109,000. **Resolution No. 24-133**

(5) Trojan Technologies. Replace four (4) hydraulic cylinders associated with Ultraviolet (UV) Disinfection banks 2A and 2B. H.C. Morgan Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF). $39,096.80. **Resolution No. 24-134**

(6) Tyler Technologies. Authorize three-year contract renewal for maintenance of City's financial management software. $81,668.
Resolution No. 24-135

c. Board appointments. Planning Commission. Three (3) vacancies. Terms begin August 1, 2024, and end July 31, 2030.
Resolution No. 24-136 (Walker Davis, Oscar Moseley, Jennifer Stephens)

b. Contracts and agreements.

(3) Foresite Group, LLC. Professional Services Agreement. Beehive Road Widening Project. $72,300.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes the city manager to execute a contract with the Foresite Group, LLC.

Councilmember Moreman asked for background on this item and how it will be funded.

City Manager Crouch provided information on the item.

Councilmember Parsons moved that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Dawson seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 24-132

9. **ORDINANCES.**

a. Annexations. Unanimous consent necessary. Planning Commission recommendations.

(1) Hemard Annexation. Approximately 4.45 acres. Property located at 315 Lee Road 025 (Hillandale Drive).

9. **ORDINANCES (cont).**

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance annexes approximately 4.45 acres.

Councilmember Coblentz motioned to postpone the ordinance until the September 17 meeting. Councilmember Witten seconded the motion, and the following members voted aye: Adams, Coblentz, Dawson, Moreman, Parsons, Taylor, Witten and Mayor Anders.
Mayor Anders declared the ordinance postponed to the September 17, 2024, City Council. meeting.

(2) Kell Annexation. Approximately 2.06 acres. Property located at 350 East Farmville Road.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance annexes approximately 2.06 acres.

Councilmember Witten introduced the ordinance.
City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.
Councilmember Witten moved that unanimous consent be granted to consider the ordinance on its first reading.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion.

Mayor Anders asked if there was an objection to the ordinance being considered on its first reading.

Hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor Anders declared unanimous consent granted and the ordinance ready for adoption.

Upon roll call vote, the following Council members voted aye: Dawson, Griswold, Moreman, Parsons, Taylor, Witten, Adams, Coblentz, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None.
Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.
Ordinance No. 3498

(3) Shuman Annexation. Approximately 3.89 acres. Property located west of the Society Hill & Moores Mill intersection.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance annexes approximately 3.89 acres.

Councilmember Coblentz introduced the ordinance.
City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.
Councilmember Coblentz moved that unanimous consent be granted to consider the ordinance on its first reading.
Councilmember Dawson seconded the motion.

Mayor Anders asked if there was an objection to the ordinance being considered on its first reading.

Hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor Anders declared unanimous consent granted and the ordinance ready for adoption.

Upon roll call vote, the following Council members voted aye: Griswold, Moreman, Parsons, Taylor, Witten, Adams, Coblentz, Dawson, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None.
Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.
Ordinance No. 3499

10. **RESOLUTIONS.**

a. Conditional Use. Beehive Distribution Center, LLC., Commercial support use (warehouse and distribution center). Property located at 3010 Beehive Road (Lee Road 10) in the Industrial (I) zoning district. Public hearing required.

10. **RESOLUTIONS (cont).**

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for a commercial support use. She added that a public hearing was required.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

There being no comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Dawson moved that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Coblentz seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 24-137

b. Contract. Vortex Services, LLC. Auburn Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project (Willow Creek and Auburn University Sewer Basins). $1,574,024.75.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes the city manager to execute a contract with Vortex Services, LLC.

Councilmember Dawson asked for an explanation of the project.

Water Resource Management Director Eric Carson provided information on the project.

Councilmember Dawson moved that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Witten seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 24-138

11. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

None.

12**.** **CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM.**

Robert Wilkins (261 Denson Drive) spoke about the assassination attempt on Donald Trump.

Martha Shamp (307 Camelia Drive) spoke about giving.

13. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Councilmember Witten moved that the meeting be adjourned.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.
The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 PM.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Manager